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## OUTLINES.

Secretary Taft yesterday issued a statement saying that he is not seeking the Republican nomination for President and wouldn't decline it if tendered to him, but acknowledges that he lacks availability as things are now going.——Japanese at San Francisco have published a paper called "The Revolution," in which is plainly advocated the assassination of President Roosevelt, the Mikado, and other rulers.——The funeral of Bishop A. Coke Smith will not take place at Norfolk, till to-day at 2:30 P. M. as the body missed connection en route from Asheville.——At Nashville, Tenn., yesterday ten handle manufacturing concerns combined and formed the Consolidated Handle Company with $1,000,000 capital.——Secretary Wilson yesterday visited the distilleries of Baltimore and found out that the good whiskey they produce is decocted and the spurious stuff sold for men to drink.——The Solcialists at Lodz, Russia, are again inaugurating a reign of terror and murder; they have compelled the factories to close down and on Friday murdered 20 people, adding six more to the list yesterday.——Armed men have gone to a block station on the Southern Railroad near Spartansburg, S. C., where armed men held the operator captive and made him dance.——As a result of a feud between Italians in a railroad camp at Harts, Va., one man, a woman and her son were murdered yesterday.——The Germania National Insurance Company of Illinois, is insolvent and its affairs in Virginia have been placed in the hands of a receiver. ——Nearly 20,000,000 more shares of stock were sold this year on the New York Stock Exchange than in 1905.——Secretary Shaw denies that the United States Treasury has come to the aid of stock gamblers in New York.——New York markets: Money on call nominal, no loans, time easier; spot cotton steady 10.65; flour dull; wheat easy, No. 2 red nominal; corn steady, No. 2, 52 1-2 elevator; oats steady, mixed 39 to 39 1-2; turpentine firm 70 to 70 1-2; rosin firm, strained common to good 4.25.

The way of the "anarchistic rich" transgressor appears to be getting hard.

The number of people who don't practice what they preach is astonishing.

If you are looking for material from which to manufacture denatured alcohol, what is the matter with the prolific china berry?

Some men think there is no fun in being good. After their sad experience in having fun they would like to be good if they could.

Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, has come to the defense of Senator Bailey, of Texas. From all accounts Bailey has his Texas opponents on the defensive.

Millions of money is being spent in North Carolina and South Carolina on huge plants for the transmission of electric power. Where the power is the factories are bound to come.

Very little use for a man these days to make distress signs to the whitewash brigade. Keep your record clean and you won't need the brigade in your business.

James A Kratz has been promoted from private secretary of Attorney General Moody to the position of special Attorney General. Seems to be one of those trained officeholders of the Roosevelt administration.

Mark Twain is credited with the statement that he receives 30 cents for every word he writes. If President Roosevelt could sell his to Carnegie at that price, the steel magnate's solution of how to die poor would be easily solved.

A dispatch from Lincoln, Nebraska, a few days ago announced that Col. William J. Bryan practically has admitted that he would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency in 1908. The undisputed evidence in the case cropped out before the admission.

Some Japanese at San Francisco, in a paper called "The Revolution," plainly advocate the assassination of President Roosevelt, the Mikado of Japan and other rulers. This comes with ill grace after Mr. Roosevelt advocated the naturalization of Japanese in this country and threatened the Californians with dire consequences for not letting Japanese mix with their children at school.

A New York grand jury has indicted former insurance magnate Geo. W. Perkins and former Secretary of the Treasury Chas. S. Fairchild on the charge of forgery. The grand jury however, coupled with the indictments exculpatory statements which will give a trial jury cause for that "reasonable doubt" of guilt. The affair is probably one of District Attorney Jerome's grand stand plays.

## RAILROAD TERRITORY

### Organization of Companies Recently Chartered For Extensive Operations.

### RAILROAD IN BRUNSWICK

**Will Penetrate Wide Expanse of Undeveloped Country in Adjoining County—Wilmington Headquarters For the Enterprise.**

The Town Creek Railroad and Lumber Company and the Wilmington, Brunswick & Southern Railroad Company are allied corporations recently organized in this city for the purpose of extensive lumber mill operations and the development of trucking lands in Brunswick county. The first named company is officered as follows: President R. F. DeVane, of Red Springs; Vice President, A. J. McKinnon, of Maxton; Secretary and Treasurer, Z. W. Whitehead, of Wilmington; Directors, R. F. DeVane, A. J. McKinnon, Martin McKinnon, Z. W. Whitehead and C. J. Cooper. The company purchased the Capt. R. W. Gibson mill at Town Creek, about a year ago and has added to its holdings since that time until it is announced that now it has one hundred million feet of pine and cypress with twenty-five to thirty-millions of hardwoods. The mill facilities have also been materially increased and will soon have a daily output of 75,000 feet per day.

The company for the operation of the railroad controlled by the lumber company, is officered by Z. W. Whitehead, of Wilmington, president; C. J. Cooper, of Fayetteville, first vice president; Martin McKinnon, of Red Springs, second vice president; R. F. DeVane of Red Springs secretary and treasurer; Z. W. Whitehead, R. F. DeVane, A. J. McKinnon, C. J. Cooper, M. McKinnon, W. H. Chadbourn, R. W. McKeithan, George H. Bellamy and Jackson Stanland, directors. Several thousand acres of fine trucking lands have been bought along the route of the road and will be developed by the company. A standard guage road has already been built from Town Creek, 14 miles south in the direction of Lockwood's Folly, with 12 miles more under construction between Town Creek and Wilmington, which it is expected to have in operation by the first of next July. The road, it is announced, will then be extended to Southport or Lockwood's Folly, Shallotte and Little River, S. C.

The two companies named have an authorized capital stock of $200,000 each and were chartered some months ago by the Secretary of State for the purposes outlined above. The operations of the company were kept very quiet until its timber holdings were acquired and details of the organization were not given out until yesterday. The two corporations have a capital of nearly half a million dollars and the fact that Wilmington will be the base of operations for these interests means much for the city.

The lumber company now has a large double-deck mill in operation at the Gibson plant, the daily capacity being about 30,000 feet, with planing mills, dry kilns, shingle mills, &c. A new band mill is to be installed and other necessary machinery to be added so the capacity of the paint will be 75,000 feet per day. The company owns an exceptionally fine body of virgin timber into which the woodman's axe has never penetrated.

The trucking lands which are held by the company in fee simple are to be developed at once with the railroad. Brunswick county possesses a wealth of resources scarcely to be imagined and the development of the country by the railroad will mean much not only for the people in that section but also for Wilmington. When this road gets into Wilmington the port will have six line of railway radiating toward every point of the compass and its commerce may be expected to continue onward and upward until it is one of the chief cities in the South. The new road will open up several thousand square miles of territory that is to-day without any railroad facilities whatever. The people of the city will watch the development of the enterprise with increasing interest.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Shrier—Regal Shoes.
W. B. Cooper—Nitrate Soda.
Hamme—Hatter and Clothier.
Oriental Bazaar—Removal Sale.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Christmas Greetings.

### Business Locals.

For Sale—Three Milch Cows.
Sedeo—Furnished Room Wanted.
Wanted—Position by Bookkeeper.
Wanted—Man Not Afraid of Work.
Wanted—Manager of Branch House.
Young Man—Position in Store Wanted.
Wanted—Position in Real Estate Office.
Hermisigen Cigar Co.—Salesman Wanted.
E. Warren & Son—Ice Cream For New Years.
Sutton & Williamson—Electrical Contractors.
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co.—Four Hustlers Wanted.

Read Gaylord's advertisement today. **

## AN AMERICAN BELLE

**Miss Latimer of Wilmington Much Admired in Parisian Society—Will Shortly Be Presented at Italian Court in Rome.**

(Special Star Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 29.—A special cablegram from Paris to the New York papers says:

"Miss Latimer, a lovely young American, is pronounced "the most beautiful girl in Europe." Such is the deliberate and emphatic opinion of an old Parisian beau who has admired and praised with discrimination, all types of feminine pulchritude in most of the Continental courts and his opinion of the queenly young woman from Wilmington, N. C., is received by the painters who move in Franco-American society.

"One poetically describes Miss Latimer's hair as "Gold spun with flax and dashed with copper." Several have asked the privilege of painting her portrait, but none have received the commission, although it is said that she may sit for her distinguished countrywoman, the Marquiese Wentworth. From the day of her arrival with her younger sister this autumn Miss Latimer has been entertained continually and her popularity is causing other belles in the American colony to look to their social laurels. At the moment Miss Latimer is busy with milliners and dressmakers for she is going to Rome soon to be presented at the Italian court."

### BLACK PATTI MONDAY.

**Troubadours at Academy of Music Night and Perhaps Matinee.**

The ever popular Black Patti Troubadours will be the attraction at the Academy of Music matinee and night, Tuesday, the former being especially for the whites.

The Troubadours come with a new budget of mirth, melody and action and a company bigger and smarter than ever. In addition to Black Patti (Sissieretta Jones) the greatest singer of her race, and "Jolly" John Larkins, "The Giant Premier of Colored Comedians," and forty other talented singers, dancers, comedians and specialty performers in the company, who will be seen in a new "Black Patti" Show, "A Royal Coon," "Chinese of Normandy" and "Grand Vaudeville" are features of this season's show, in which are incorporated and interpolated sweet darkey melodies, swell singing and dancing specialties, operatic ensembles, minstrel hits, big variety acts and screamingly funny comedy situations, all embellished with appropriate costumes, scenery and illuminating effects.

The matinee will be contingent upon the advance sale of seats and this sale will commence tomorrow morning, the prices being 50 and 75 cents. The sale for the night will also start tomorrow.

### RETURNS WITH HIS BRIDE.

**Mr. and Mrs. J. Holmes Davis Expected in the City Today.**

Mr. J. Holmes Davis and bride, nee Miss Alma D. Brewer, of Louisville, Ky., are expected to arrive today and will make this city their future home. They were married Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the home of the bride in Louisville, Mr. Davis having gone there a few days ago ostensibly on a visit. His most intimate friends here knew nothing of the marriage until a telegram reached them stating that Mr. Davis had joined the ranks of the Benedicts. It was, of course, a great surprise and the bachelor friends of Mr. Davis have prepared retaliation for him upon his return with his bride today. He will be met at the station by many of his close friends whom he took so by surprise and will be assured in a most demonstrative way of their heartiest congratulations.

The bride is a niece of Mr. Mitchell F. Allen, of this city, and has frequently visited here where she has many admirers. Mr. Davis is cashier of the Carolina Savings and Trust Company, a clever young business man and has a host of friends who extend very best wishes.

**Remains Brought Here Yesterday.**

The remains of little H. O. McArthur, Jr., the infant of Capt. and Mrs. Harry O. McArthur, formerly of this city, but now of Sanford, Fla., were brought here yesterday on the train from the South, accompanied by the bereaved father and several friends. Mrs. McArthur was unable to come. The remains were taken immediately from the station and interred in Oakdale cemetery. The child was one year and one month old and his death was a painful blow to the devoted parents. Capt. McArthur was recently promoted to the district superintendency of the Coast Line at Gainesville, Fla., and was obliged to return last night in order to begin his new duties as early as possible. Many old friends saw him while in Wilmington and extended their sincere sympathy in the death of the little son.

—The explosion of a lamp at 219 South Seventh street, owned by B. Bellois and occupied by Mary Neal, colored called the Fire Department out in response to an alarm from box 51 at 8:40 last night. Oil had been scattered in every direction by the explosion and the damage was about $50 to the household goods. The loss on the building was covered by insurance.

Carpet Sale at Polvogt's This Week. **

## INCREASE OF WAGES

### Street Car Conductors and Motormen Given an Advance of Ten Per Cent In Scale.

### DECREASE OF LIGHTING RATE

**Special Meeting of Directors of Consolidated Company Held Yesterday—Expensive Litigation Enters Into Cost of Operation.**

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Company, held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the call of President Hugh MacRae, in the offices of the company on North Front street, a voluntary increase of 10 per cent. was made in the wage scale of all conductors and motormen in the employ of the company on both the city and suburban lines, the same to take effect January first. It was also decided to make a decrease in the schedule of charges for electric lighting averaging seven per cent., likewise effective the first of the new year.

The increase in the pay of the conductors affects between 35 and 40 men in Winter and nearly double that number in Summer when the full schedule of suburban cars is in operation to the Beach. The men made no demand whatever for the increase, but the company has been reasonably prosperous during the past year and the directors took the view that it was no more than right and proper that the "men behind the guns" so to speak, should share in the prosperity. The employes on the cars are divided into two classes, known as A and B, the first representing those who have been in the service six months or longer and have a clean record and the second those who have been with the company less than six months and are beginners at the controller and register. The first class are advanced from 15 to 16 1-2 cents per hour and those of Class B are advanced from 12 1-2 to 13 3-4 cents per hour. This increase was announced to the men by Chief Conductor Sheehan immediately after the meeting yesterday and they were grateful for the kindly consideration of their employers. The advance will without doubt increase the efficiency of the service and will bring to the employment of the road a better class of men. The wages are understood to be higher than those paid in Norfolk or Charleston, cities more similarly located than others where the scale of wages is lower.

The decrease in the schedule of rates for electric lighting follows one made some time ago in the rate for gas and is pursuing a policy of the company instituted from the first. This decrease is better understood from a circular letter sent out to all electric light patrons as follows:

"Dear Sir:—It has been and will continue to be the policy of this company to give its customers: First, the best possible service; second, the lowest cost consistent with such service and a fair return on invested capital.

"We beg to announce that beginning with January 1, 1907, there will be a reduction in the rate for electric current for lighting from 14c, 10c and 5c per thousand watts (the present rate) to 13c, 9 1-2c and 5c per thousand watts.

"This reduction is made in the face of the fact that the price of labor, materials and everything that enters into the cost of operation has advanced.

"The company has been greatly handicapped in reducing the cost of operation because of the excessive and unreasonable legal expenses forced upon the company in defending a number of suits instigated by certain citizens. Such expenses necessarily enter into the cost of operation. Consequently the company has had little opportunity to make reduction to its consumers."

At the special meeting of the directors yesterday the year's business was gone over very carefully and informally discussed by members present. Some time was also given to the plans for the extensive double tracking and extensions that may be said to be already under way. It has been a very successful 11 months for the corporation, but it was shown that the material results of most of this prosperity has gone directly back into improvements and no large dividends are shown. The annual meeting will be held in January when the usual annual reports will be made and officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Those present at the meeting yesterday were Mr. Hugh Mac Rae, president; Mr. Harry Woolcott, secretary Messrs. M. F. H. Gwoverneur, Junius Davis, Oscar Pearsall, George R. French, J. V. Grainger, James H. Chadbourn, B. C. Worth, Eduard Ahrens, M. J. Heyer and J. G. L. Gieschen. These represented 12 of the 15 composing the directorate of the company and all of them expressed gratification at the excellent management of the affairs of the company. The meeting lasted for more than an hour and was very enthusiastic.

**Carpet Sale at Polvogt's.**

For one week the Polvogt Company advertises special low prices on carpets, rugs and art squares. Your attention is called to their advertisement in this paper. Their ladies' suit department also offers special and attractive bargains. **

## STATE REFORMATORY

**Symposium of Views on Proposed Establishment of Institution in North Carolina — Communication Col. Walker Taylor.**

The Charlotte Observer is printing from day to day a symposium of views of leading men in the State with reference tothe reformatory for youthful criminals which it is proposed to have the legislature provide at its forthcoming session in January and behind which movement are the King's Daughters of all the leading towns and cities. The opinions are almost unanimously in favor of the proposed institution and they will no doubt have great weight with the Legislature when it assembles in Raleigh. The New Hanover Board of Commissioners took the initiative in the matter some time ago and a letter was addressed to all other boards in the larger counties of the State asking for their co-operation in the matter. The replies were very satisfactory and a committee from the New Hanover Board will doubtless go up to Raleigh to urge the bill for a reformatory when it comes up in the General Assembly.

In the Charlotte Observer's symposium of yesterday appears a letter from Col. Walker Taylor, of Wilmington, founder of the Boys' Brigade in this city, which institution has done so much for the youth of this city along higher lines. The communication is as follows:

To the Editor of the Observer:

I have for acknowledgement your esteemed favor of the 21st inst., in which you ask an expression from me as to the establishment of a State reformatory. I thank you for the opportunity of saying that this movement has my unqualified endorsement and approval. In my judgment there is no argument or position that can be taken against this movement which cannot be met by an overwhelming number in its favor. View this from a strictly busines standpoint, if you will, and it will pay far greater returns as an investment than any other one investment of this great State of ours. Save a boy and you produce a tax-paying man.

I trust you will continue the efforts through your valuable paper to the end that public sentiment will be sufficiently aroused on this subject to brush aside all opposition and that the first bill passed by the incoming General Assembly will be the establishment and equipment of this life-saving station for the boys and young men of our State.

WALKER TAYLOR.

Wilmington, Dec., 26, 1906.

### FUNERAL OF MR. GARRELL.

**Remains of Highly Esteemed Citizen Laid to Rest Yesterday Afternoon.**

Impressive funeral services were conducted at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Grace M. E. Church over the remains of the late Mr. John F. Garrell, whose sudden death was such a shock to the community Thursday evening. The services were by Rev. N. M. Watson, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. A. D. McClure D. D., pastor of St. Andrews' Presbyterian church, and a friend of the family. The attendance upon the obsequies was large and representative of all classes of Wilmington citizenship, for Mr. Garrell was a man of the whole people and was held in the highest esteem by every one. The floral tributes were many and very handsome. The funeral hymns were sweetly rendered by the church choir, this feature of the service being especially pretty. Mr. Garrell was a member of the official board of Grace church and his fellow members of that body attended the services as a whole.

The pall bearers were as follows: Honorary, Messrs. H. C. McQueen, J. C. Stevenson, Walter Webb and E. L. Prince; active, Messrs. Wm. E. Springer, W. B. Cooper, C. C. Covington, J. J. Hopkins, L. B. Rogers and J. B. Mercer.

During the course of the funeral service, Rev. Mr. Watson paid a high tribute to the life and character of the deceased extolling his virtues and speaking of his personal knowledge of the man and the motives which inspired his life.

**Army Recruiting Service.**

The Charlotte Observer of yesterday says: "Major William B. Reynolds, of the United States army recruiting service, has received notice from the Department in Washington that a recruiting station would shortly be opened in Raleigh. It is probable that a new district will be formed embracing all of the eastern and northern sections of the State stretching from Winmington to Goldsboro, with Raleigh as headquarters. Recruiting stations will likely be established in Greensboro and Wilmington and several of the larger towns in eastern Carolina. Major Reynolds received orders several days ago to transfer this teritory from his district to the new one. His district includes Charlotte and all western North Carolina and the entire State of South Carolina."

**Cutter Back in Port.**

The U. S. Revenue Cutter Seminole returned to the city last evening from a cruise as far south as Charleston. While away she destroyed a derelict that was a menace to navigation off Cape Romain light. The vessel foundered during one of the recent storms and was in 18 fathoms of water.

## BLACKBURN CONTEST

### "Drummer Boy" From the Eighth District Gives Out Statement in Washington.

### NEWS FROM STATE CAPITAL

**Capt. John Duckett Becomes Superintendent of Colored State Normal—Other Changes Announced—Jamestown Exhibit.**

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, Dec. 29.—The last shadow of a doubt that Congressman Spencer Blackburn would contest the election of Hon. Richard N. Hackett as a member of the Sixtieth Congress from the Eighth Congressional district of this State, vanished today, upon receipt of a telegram from Washington that the Hon. "E. Spence" had announced to the Associated Press that he would most certainly give Mr. Hackett a fight for his seat in spite of the latter's very handsome majority in the November election.

Congressman Blackburn has written a letter to his opponent at Wilkesboro, N. C., notifying him of the action he has taken. In this letter Mr. Blackburn says that although the election returns show that his opponent was given a majority of 1,066 votes he was not lawfully elected. Mr. Blackburn charges that gross irregularities, illegalities, frauds and bribery were committed by partisans of Mr. Hackett and that the conduct of the election officers at the voting precincts was unjust, wrongful and unlawful.

With the new year there will be a considerable change in the clerical force in the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Mr. C. L. Coon becomes chief clerk succeeding Capt. John Duckett who has held that position the past six years. Capt. Duckett, takes the position of superintendent of the colored State Normal schools filled since the creation of the office two years ago by Mr. Coon. So the changes really amounts to an exchange of positions. The three State Normals of which Capt. Duckett will be in charge are at Winston-Salem, Elizabeth City and Fayetteville. Another change in the office is that Miss Ella Duckett who has served as stenographer for six years will be succeeded by Miss Hattie Arrington. Miss Duckett is to be married early in the new year to a successful young business man of Western Carolina. The cards are not yet isued.

The annual session of the North Carolina Association of Private Schools and Academies which was to have been in session last night and today failed to materialize, a sufficient number of members to constitute a quorum not having shown up. Col. Roby Bingham came from Asheville as president of the Association but the only other members out of about fifty on the roll who came were Col. W. K. Rhodes, principal of the Rhodes Academy, Kinston, and Col. W. M. Jones, of the North Carolina Military Academy, Red Springs.

Joseph E. Pogue Commissioner General on the part of North Carolina for the State's representation at the Jamestown Exposition, declares that the proposiion for the Legislature soon to convene here to appropriate an additional sum of $25,000 for the expense of the State exhibit, making $55,000 in all, is meeting with very general favor on the part of leading citizens in all parts of the State.

### SOUTHERN AUDIT COMPANY.

**Organized For Business With Headquarters in Charlotte, N. C.**

The Southern Audit Company, a notice of the incorporation of which appeared in these columns a few days ago, has organized by the election of Mr. J. W. Todd, of Charlotte, as president; Mr. C. L. Smith, of Charlotte, vice president and Mr. James Fletcher Ruark of Wilmington, as secretary and treasurer. Mr. Smith will manage the affairs of the institution in addition to his duties as vice president. The principal offices of the company will be at 23 South Tryon street, Charlotte, N. C.

The object for which the company is chartered is more fully set forth in the following excerpt from the papers: "To conduct a professional accounting and auditing business, in any or all branches of the science, in any or all States and territories of the United States; to prepare accounts of firms solvent or insolvent, of bank trust companies, banks, or individuals; audit accounts of administrators, assignees, receivers, trustees or executors and to act as trustee of estates when appointed by a court of law."

**Boys' Brigade Armory.**

Mr. G. Kelson Young, the manager will be the speaker at the special meeting for young men at the Boys' Brigade Armory this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Mr. Young has had wide experience with boys and young men in two countries and his address will be heard with great interest this afternoon. The public is invited to attend the watch-night service at the armory Monday night. There will be appropriate three minute talks by Wilmington pastors between 11 o'clock and midnight with a number of musical selections by favorite vocalists of the city. All are invited and assured a cordial welcome.

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## GREATER CHARLOTTE RUMOR.

The Charlotte Observer of yesterday entertains us with a hint of the most stupendous strike ever launched in the United States. The short of it is that we are soon to have a united strike on every railroad in the United States, conductors, firemen, engineers, and rail road men generally having a preconcerted plot to quit work if their demands for more pay is not met. The Observer does not give any authentic source for its information, which is both interesting and startling. As first page, leaded matter, the Observer publishes the following:

"A Chicago dispatch of yesterday pointed to "the possibility of serious trouble betwwen 41 western railroads and their employes who have demanded a 15 per cent increase in wages. Information, which it is believed, is from an authentic source, comes to The Observer that the case is much worse than this. This information is that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the United States is united in a purpose to make a concerted move the first of January or early in the month, upon the management of every railroad system in the country for an advance in wages. The country has been divided by them into four parts and this is what is called the Southern division, embracing every system South of the Ohio river. There can be no contract with any single line operating in North Carolina, for instance—this is by way of illustration only, the same principle applying everywhere—with the Seaboard Air Line or the Atlantic Coast Line, but the contracts must embrace all.

"It is the purpose of the engineers if their demands are not granted, to strike and tie up traffic. It is said that the Orders of Railway Conductors and of Railway Firemen will follow the lead of the engineers and that all men engaged in the operation of trains will be involved. The argument of the engineers is that while the cost of living has increased in the last ten years 33 to 50 per cent their pay has not increased at all. If the strike, the possibility of which is above suggested, should occur, it would be the greatest and fartherest reaching that the country has ever known.

"The information above is as The Observer has been able to gather it."

Contemplate for a moment what an enormous disaster such a strike would entail. Every railroad in the United States would be tied up and traffic would be at a standstill! It would soon have us howling for food and fuel supplies, not to mention the fact that we couldn't go anywhere "any more than a goat." Tens of thousands of railroad men would be out of employment and mercantile and industrial establishments would be so crippled for lack of transportation that hundreds of thousands more from the Atlantic to the Pacific would have to be laid off. Think of the millions of money loss involved in a from ocean to ocean—from lakes to gulf strike. The consequences would be so stupendous that they would beggar one's conception. The thing is simply inconcelvable, but that Greater Charlotte story is bound to hold you for a while. Shake!

## MAY BE SO, BUT WE DON'T KNOW

Lawyer Reynolds, one of President Roosevelt's special inquiry men, has been in Charlotte the past week, and on Wednesday night met a large number of Charlotte's leading mill and commercial men at a banquet at the Manufacturers' Club tendered by Col. D. A. Tompkins to Mr. Reynold's. The Charlottese were highly pleased with the visitor. A Charlotte dispatch to the Raleigh News and Observer on Thursday says:

"Investigations into the conditions of the cotton mills of the South and allied questions by Mr. James Bronson Reynolds, who distinguished himself in the meat investigation in Chicago, and who is now in Charlotte, will probably be of great importance to the entire South. Mr. Reynolds is a close friend of President Roosevelt, and it is more than likely that his investigation in the South will be reported by him directly to the chief executive at Washington. Mr. Reynolds' visit to this section is also important from the bearing which it will likely have on the immigration question in the South. In this city the distinguished guest has learned many things relating to this matter, which are full of vital import to the Southern mills, and to Southern farmers, both of whom realize that there must be a new source of labor from which they may draw in order to keep their mills and farms supplied with labor."

When we hear of Mr. Reynolds' report to the President we will be pretty apt to find out that he has been looking around to find out about the employment of child labor in our Southern cotton mills. "Speck" that's the object of his visit.

## THE MAGAZINES.

The Pilgrim for January has come to hand. It is a bright and attractive publication replete with fiction, miscellaneous reading, and department articles. Not the least delightful are the numerous illustrations that go to make the magazine a gem. It is sent a year for $1 and sells at 10c per copy. Address The Pilgrim Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich.

That old favorite, The Eclectic Magazine, has appeared for January. It is a rare entertainer and its excellent features are so varied that a brief notice will give no just conception of them. It is an essay magazine of world literature, and one of the featured articles is the shiboleth of "Restraint of Trade" by Gilbert Holland Montague. The Eclectic's subscription price is $3 a year and the copy price is 25 cents. Address the Eclectic Printing and Publishing Co., 116 Nassau street, New York.

The thousands of readers of the Atlantic Monthly will be immensely pleased with the January number. Its distinctive literary excellence is marked by many stories, poems and articles of varied interest. "Turning the Old Leaves," is the leading article and as might be inferred, it involves the New Year. Many others of the most entertaining character follow. The annual subscription price of the Atlantic Monthly is $4; per copy 35 cents. Address Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 4 Park Street, Boston.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

—Brigadier Gen. Pershing, a presidential favorite who was promoted from a captaincy over the heads of nearly 700 senior officers, is making signals for the services of the whitewash squad.—Houston Post.

—All the railroad troubles are not in the South. Passengers on a New York Central train who spent 18 hours between New York and Buffalo, with nothing to eat, have laid their troubles before the railroad commisison of that State.—Columbia Record.

—Now that the American troops are camped in Cuba the lawlessness of armed bands on the island is referred to as Cuban unrest. Before American occupation it would have been announced that a revolution had broken out in Santa Clara province. It matters little by what name the movement is called, so it be promptly put down.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

—If it is true, as was suggested in our Wasihngton correspondence yesterday that there are Democrats who will join Senator Foraker in his crusade against the President on account of his dismissal from the service of the negro soldiers who shot up Browns ville and those who shielded them, there is nothing to say except that they will manifest a very low quality of partisanship and engage in very poor business.—Charlotte Oberver.

—A Connecticut judge says he is going to quit sending men to jail for habitual drunkenness and is urging that such persons be committed for medical treatment. He say that the liquor habit is not a crime, but a disease, and that the present custom of sending men to jail for a disease is barbarous. When communities and States come to an acceptance of this judge's views far greater progress will be made in the reclaimation of dipsomaniacs.—Savannah News.

—Not all the world can be prosperous and happy at the same time, it seems. While the people of the United States are enjoying abundant harvests and reaping the fruits of their labor in general prosperity, a cry of distress comes from China. Millions of people are on the verge of starvation, it is tated, because crops and property have been destroyed by floods. An appeal is made by the President for aid for these sufferers to be distributed through the National Red Cross Society. "Am I my brother's keeper?" has been answered long ago in the affirmative by generous men the world over. The people of the United States will doubtless make such a response to the President's appeal as the circumstances demand. Racial distinctions and prejudices are forgotten when the appeal is to humanity. Then, indeed, we do not ask mockingly. Are we our brothers' keepers?—Baltimore Sun.

## TWINKLINGS.

—Bacon—Yes, his hair began to come out when he was quite young. Egbert—Oh, he married early did he?—Yonkers Statesman.

—"Is Mike Clancy here?" asked the visitor at the quarry, just after the premature explosion. "No, sor," replied Costigan; he's gone." "For good?" Well, sor, he wint in that direction.'—Tit-Bits.

—"But your associations on earth have not fitted you for this place," protested St. Peter to the new arrival at the gate. "I'd like to know why not," answered the other, "as a distiller haven't I had a lot to do with refined spirits?"—Boston Transcript.

—"Where did you live before you came to Chicago?" "I lived in the Northern edge of the celluloid collar belt in the eastern edge of the window stick belt and the southern end of the fried steak and roller towel district."—Chicago News.

—Wifey—John, dear, I suppose youll be angry, but I was walking through a china tore this morning and broke something. Hubby (anxiously)—How careless. Was it something costly? Wifey—It was that $20 bill you gave me.—Boston Transcript.

—"I'm sure I don't know what he saw in her. Her face is decidedly plain." "Yes, but the figure she has makes up for all that." "Figure? shes positively scrawny; she hasnt any figure." "You're mistaken there, she has six figures, and the first one's a five."—Philadelphia Press.

—The curtain went up on the Siberian scene. 'Those howls sound very real," commented the critic. "That's the real thing in howls. Best I ever heard." "Ought to be," responded the stage manager. "That's our angel. He's busted."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—Mrs. Hardapple—Yes, Hiram, our son Zeke writes that some rich man donated another chair to the college. Mr. Hardapple—Another chair? Great swampdoodle! Them students is too lazy already from sittin down too much. Why didn't the rich chap donate more books?—Philadelphia Bulletin.

## GREEN TURTLES EXPENSIVE.

**Where They Are Caught and How They Are Brought North.**

"The flesh of the green turtle often brings $50 a pound," said an oyster dealer. "This rich meat comes to us from the coral reefs of the West Indies.

"The turtles are caught in nets among the rocks. They are very carefully brought north. They are deck passengers at first, but as the weather grows cold with the ship's progress they are penned in warm rooms below—regular staterooms.

"It's a different treatment that they get, though, at the natives' hands. If a native is bringing turtles north he nails them fast to the deck by their flippers. Strange creatures that they are, they appear to suffer little under such cruel treatment.

"The calipee and calipash are respectively the flesh from the breast and the back of the green turtle, tidbits which, I have heard epicures say, are unequaled in the earth beneath, the heavens above or the waters under the earth. This meat is superlatively rich, delicate and tender.

"Live green turtle fetches wholesale from a dime to a quarter a pound. What makes the meat so expensive in the end is that out of a 140 pound fish you'll only get two pounds of calipee and one of calipash.

"Several times when there has been a tight turtle market the chefs of millionaires and of certain extravagant hotels have offered me $1 a pound for live turtles. At that rate your calipee and calipash would come to quite $50 a pound."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

## LIGHTHOUSES.

**The First of Them Was One of the World's Seven Wonders.**

The first lighthouse of which there is any record in history was built by Ptolemy Philadelphus about 306 B. C. It was a tower on which wood fires were kept blazing at night. It was built on Pharos, a small island in the bay of Alexandria, and was one of the seven wonders of the world. It is an interesting fact that the modern French and Spanish names for lighthouse—the one being phare, the other faro—still preserve the memory of the island where the first attempt at seacoast illumination was located. The ruined tower in Dover castle, England, erected about A. D. 44, is claimed by some authorities to have been built for a lighthouse, upon which an enormous wood fire was kept burning.

The lighthouse on the southern end of the island of Conanicut, at the mouth of Narragansett bay, is said to be the oldest in the United States. The present structure is comparatively modern, but the first one was erected in 1750, and for nearly 100 years previous a watchtower, with a beacon fire, had existed at the same point.

The lighthouse bears the odd name of Beaver Tail. The southern portion of Conanicut island is shaped something like a beaver, with its tail pointing southward, and in early times it was known by that name, the two extremities being called head and tail.

**Clever Rubinstein.**

The Italian tenor Marconi once made a visit to Rubinstein, during which the latter's little son came tripping eagerly into the music room and said, "This is my festa, papa, and I want a present." "Very well, my son, what shall it be?" "A waltz, papa, a new waltz all for myself, and now." "What an impatient little son it is!" exclaimed the great musician. "But of course you shall have your gift. Here it is. Listen! And for you," turning to the distinguished tenor, "I will play my 'Nero.'" "It seems incredible," says Marconi, "but then and there I witnessed and heard a most remarkable phenomenon. The maestro improvised and played a charming waltz with his left hand, giving me at the same time with his right the splendid overture."

**In the Pillory.**

The picturesque, but most painful, punishment known as the "pillory" has long been a thing of the past in England. A man was made to stand in a frame on a platform, probably with his head and hands fastened through holes in pieces of wood that were then padlocked to keep them firm, and thus to remain at stated periods while the crowd gaped at or even pelted him. The last time known that a man was pilloried was when Peter James Bossy was punished for perjury, June 22, 1830.—London Mail.

**Romance Versus Reality.**

Cumback—What became of that pretty Miss Dreamer who used to declare she would never marry until a handsome knight rode into town on a fierce charger with a glittering sword by his side and claimed her for his own? Homer—Oh, after breaking into the spinster class she was married to a man who drove two chargers hitched to a milk wagon, and she did remarkably well at that.—Chicago News.

**And She Went Quickly.**

"Mamma has just gone across the street, ma'am," said the demure little six-year-old to the caller.

"Did she say when she'd be back?" asked the lady.

"Yes'm"—as demurely as before—"just as soon as you had gone, ma'am."

**Long Tennessee Fight.**

For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The sweling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to rturn." Best salve in existence. 25c at R. R. Bellamy's druggist.


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# TURPENTINE FARMS

Chipping Only Maturer Trees and Reducing Size and Number of Wounds Increases Yield and Life of Crop.

Ever since the Forest Service introduced the cup and gutter system of turpentining, which lessens the injury done the trees in the process of bleeding, experiments have been carried on toward still further reducing the wound inflicted in harvesting turpentine crops. The common practice in chipping the trees is still to cut the trunks so deeply to form the "face" from which the rosin exudes, and to cut so many faces on each tree, that the life of the tree is shortened unnecessarily and waste results. After a study of this practice. It was found by experiment that the rosin ducts within a quarter of an inch of the surface of the wood are larger, more numerous, and more free-flowing than those lying deeper. Two questions then suggested themselves: First, whether shallower chipping might not secure at least an equal crop, and at the same time, prolong the productive life of the trees; and, second, whether more profit would not be found in cropping only the maturer trees.

To answer these questions experiments have been begun near Jacksonville, Fla., on 40,000 trees, or five crops of 8,000 trees each, including all sizes from 6 inches in diameter upward. One crop was worked in the ordinary way, both as to height and depth of the faces chipped and the number of faces upon each tree. This served as a standard by which to measure results obtained from the novel methods tried in the four others. With the first experimental crop the chipping was reduced to half the ordinary depth; in the second, to half the ordinary height; and in the third to half both the ordinary height and depth. In the fourth experimental crop, limited to trees 10 inches and over in diameter, the chippings were of the ordinary size, as in the standard crop, but all trees between 10 and 16 inches in diameter had not more than two faces, whereas the usual practice is to chip more faces on trees of these sizes. In addition, an innovation was made in this crop by chipping somewhat narrower faces on the smaller trees and somewhat wider ones on the larger, so as to preserve a more constant ratio than commonly between the width of the faces and the girth of the trees.

It is too soon to attempt a statement in exact figures of the results already secured and final determination must wait until the experiments shall have run for the regular commercial period of three or four years. The yield for this year points, however, to the following conclusions:

Reducing the size of the face by one half in height or depth will give an equal first-year yield and a larger total yield for the working period.

Reducing the size of the face one half in both height and depth will materially increase the annual yield owing to the lessened injury to the vitality of the tree.

Crops of the larger sized trees with fewer and smaller faces will produce a considerably larger annual yield than ordinary crops, in which large and small trees are chipped severely and the large trees have more faces.

Thus the conservative method will insure the best annual yield and the best total yield for the working period. The most important gain, however, is likely to be found in the longer period during which the trees can be chopped. It is believed that by chopping the larger trees only and reducing the size and number of faces the cropping can continue for eight or ten years, by which time the smaller trees will be ready to take their place. Thus the same area will supply the operator indefinitely, and the turpentine industry will be greatly prolonged without destroying the Southern pine forests.—Press Bulletin U. S. Department of Agriculture.

## MARK TWAIN'S DUEL.

How a Most Fortunate Shot Prevented Bloodshed.

(From the North American Review)

Mark Twain tells the story of his dueling experience in Nevada back in 1864. He was at that time an editor of the Virginia City Enterprise. He roasted a man named Laird, the editor of a rival journal, who replied in kind and Mark was prevailed upon by his friends to send him a challenge. It was accepted.

"Then they took me home. I did not sleep any. Didn't want to sleep. I had plenty of things to think about and less than four hours to do it in—because 5 o'clock was the time appointed for the duel and I would have to use up one hour beginning at four, in practicing with the revolver and finding out which end of it to level at the adversary. About four we went down into a little gorge, about a mile from town, and borrowed a barn door for a mark—borrowed it of a man who was over in California on a visit—and we set the barn door up and set a fence rail up against the middle of it, to represent Mr. Laird. But the rail was no proper representative of him, for he was longer than a rail and thinner. Nothing would ever fetch him but a line shot, and then as like as not he would split the bullet—the worst material for dueling purposes that could be imagined. I began on the rail. I couldn't hit the rail, then I tried the barn door; but I couldn't hit the barn door. There was nobody in danger except stragglers around on the flanks of the mark. I was thoroughly discouraged, and I didn't cheer up any when we presently heard pistol shots over in the next little ravine. I knew what that was—that was Laird's gang out practicing him. They would hear my shots and of course they would come up over the ridge to see what kind of a record I was making—see what their chances were against me. Well I hadn't any record and I knew that if Laird came over that ridge and saw my barn door without a scratch on it he would be as anxious to fight as I was—or as I had been at midnight, before that disastrous acceptance came.

"Now, just at this moment a little bird no bigger than a sparrow flew along by and lit on a sage-bush about 30 yards away. Steve whipped out his revolver and shot its head off. Oh, he was a marksman—much better than I was. We ran down there to pick up the bird, and just then, sure enough, Mr. Laird and his people came over the ridge, and they joined us. And when Laird's second saw the bird with its head shot off, he lost color, he faded, and you could see that he was interested. He said:

"Who did that?"

"Before I could answer Steve spoke up and said quite calmly, and in a matter-of-fact way:

"Clemens did it."

"The second said: 'Why, that is wonderful. How far was that bird off?'

"Steve said: 'Oh, not far—about 30 yards.'

"The second said: Well, that is astonishing shooting. How often can he do that?'

"Steve said languidly, 'Oh, about four times out of five.'

"I knew the little rascal was lying, but I didn't say anything. Well, they said good morning. The second took Mr. Laird home, a little tottery on his legs and Laird sent back a note in his own hand declining to fight a duel with me on any terms, whatever.

"Well, my life was saved—saved by that accident. I don't know what the bird thought about that interposition of Providence, but I felt very comfortable over it—satisfied and content. Now, we found out later that Laird had hit his mark four times out of six right along. If the duel had come off he would have filled my skin with bullet holes that it wouldn't have held my principles."

### A Monster Musical Instrument.

The most gigantic harp ever constructed, as far as the record goes, was that made by Veritan, the provost of Burkli, near Basel, Switzerland, in 1787. That was a long while ago, but the fame of M. Veritan's gigantic harp was such that it is still occasionally mentioned by writers on the rare and the wonderful, just as the sea serpent, bloody rain, live mastodons, etc., are. M. Veritan's colossal musical instrument was 320 feet in length, and, on that account, was constructed in an open lot instead of in a harp factory. It was most simple in construction, consisting of fifteen wires strung tightly between two poles. These wires were of different sizes, the largest being one-sixth of an inch in diameter and the smallest one-twelfth of an inch. They were stretched north and south and inclined in such a manner as to form an angle of from twenty to thirty degrees with the horizon. This queer instrument was not intended as an exaggerated toy, but was constructed for the express purpose of foretelling changes in the weather, which were calculated by Professor Veritan according to the different tones the instrument made when the wind was blowing through it.

### As You Please.

In the ancient times there lived a wonderfully wise man, of whom it was said that he could answer correctly any question put to him. There was one, however, who thought himself clever enough to outwit the sage. This man took a poor, captive bird and clasped it so closely in his hand that only the head and tail were visible.

"Tell me," said he to the renowned guesser of riddles, "is the bird which I hold in my hand alive or dead?"

If the answer were "Dead," thought this artful plotter, he would just open his hand and let the bird fly. If the answer were "Alive," he would with one little squeeze crush the poor bird to death.

But the wise man proved himself equal to the occasion and replied, "It is as you please."

Each one holds within his or her grasp the fair bird of life. Which is it to be? A blessing or a bane? It is "as you please."

### An Old Proverb.

The proverb, "Necessity is the mother of invention," can hardly be traced to one independent source. The idea was expressed by Persius, the Roman satirist, about 60 A. D. and is found in the precise form now quoted in Richard Franck's "Northern Memoirs" (printed in London in 1694) and in various later English writers.


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## Foreclosure of Mortgage.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Jackson P. Moore and wife, Janie Moore, to the Cooperative Building & Loan Association, dated the 3rd day of August 1900 and registered in Book 9 on pages 198 to 201 in the Register's Office of New Hanover County, default having been made in the payment of the principal and interest upon the note secured by the said mortgage, I will sell for cash by public auction to the highest bidder at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at 12 o'clock noon, Monday January 28th, 1907, the following described lot of land situated in the said City of Wilmington:

Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Tenth street forty-five feet north of the intersection of said eastern line of Tenth street with the northern line of Dock street and runs thence northwardly with the said eastern line of Tenth street forty five feet, thence eastwardly and parallel with Dock street one hundred and fifty feet, thence southwardly and parallel with Tenth street forty-five feet, thence westwardly and parellel with Dock street one hundred and fifty feet to the eastern line of Tenth street the point of the beginning. Being part of lots 4 and 5 in block 161 according to the official plan of said City of Wilmington.

Dated this 28th day of Dec., 1906.

COOPERATIVE BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION.
THOS. W. DAVIS, Attorney.

dec 29-1tw-4w.

## LAND ENTRY 9107.

I make claim to the following vacant land belonging to the State of North Carolina for the purpose of obtaining a grant from the State, situated in the State of North Carolina, New Hanover county, adjoining the lands of the Suburban Land Co., on the north, on the east by the lands of J. E. Hines and Charles Teetchen, south and west by the lands of Frank Canady and others, containing fifty acres more or less.

THOS. F. BAGLEY.
Filed December 26th, 1906.
JOHN HAAR,
Register of Deeds and Acting Entry Taker
de. 27-30d
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| Lv Washington | 6:25 PM | Lv | 10:10 AM |
| Lv Richmond | 10:00 PM | Lv | 6:45 AM |
| Lv Raleigh | 3:10 AM | Lv | 1:50 AM |
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| Lv Lumberton | 5:35 PM | | 6:56 AM |
| Lv Maxton | 6:40 PM | | 7:46 AM |
| Ar Hamlet | 7:32 PM | | 8:45 AM |
| Lv Hamlet | 7:55 PM | | |
| Lv Monroe | 9:55 PM | | |
| Ar Charlotte | 10:00 PM | | |
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| Ar Lincolnton | 11:43 AM | | |
| Lv Shelby | 12:47 PM | | |
| Ar Rutherfordton | 2:00 PM | | |
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# The Morning Star.

Sunday, December 30, 1906.


## WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 30, 1906.

Meterological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Saturday December 29th.

Temperature at 8 A. M. 50 degrees; at 8 P. M. 52 degrees; maximum 55 degrees; minimum 49 degrees; mean 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day .02; rainfall since the first of the month to date 2.87 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear River at Fayetteville 8 A. M. Friday 5 feet. feet.

**Forecast.**

For North Carolina—Rain Sunday and possibly Monday; variable winds becoming fresh southeast.

**Port Almanac—December 30, 1906.**

Sun Rises ..... 7:11 A M
Sun Sets ..... 4:54 A M
Days length ..... 9 hrs 43 mn
High water at Southport 7:30 A M
High water at Wilmington 10:00 A M

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Shepard Bryan, Esq., of Atlanta, was here yesterday, a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. Chesley C. Bellamy went up to Tarboro yesterday to spend a few days before returning to the University.

—Mr. Joseph S. Mitchell left last night for Cincinnati, O., where he will be a guest for a day or two of his friend, Mr. Stanley Mosbach.

—Mr. W. E. Davis, formerly of the A. C. L. general offices here but now of the C. & O. at Richmond, Va., is here on a visit of a few days to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis, No. 209 North Seventh street.

—Mr. Walter H. Moler and Mr. Thomas A. McIntyre, Jr., of New York, who have been spending the holidays at the McIntyre lodge in Onslow county, were here yesterday, returning home.

—Mr. Henry J. Mayer, attorney-at-law, of New York, is here on a short visit to relatives. He was a partner of the late Sol. C. Weill, of this city, and is a guest of Messrs. Isaac and Sam Bear, corner of Sixth and Chestnut streets.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wood, and children have returned from spending Christmas with Mrs. Wood's brother, Capt. G. D. Pugh, at Charleston. Mrs. Wood's mother, Mrs. M. E. Pugh, accompanied them home and will be their guest for some time.

## RURAL CARRIERS TO MEET.

**Men in Gray Will Be Here in Great Numbers on New Years.**

The Eastern North Carolina District Association of Rural Mail Carriers will hold an important meeting in this city on New Year's Day. On account of the National Holiday the carriers will be off duty that day and it will be possible for all of them to come to Wilmington and return in time for their regular duties on Wednesday. All carriers in Eastern North Carolina are urged to attend, whether they have yet joined the Association or not as the first day of the new year will be a good time to begin their careers with the organization which is for social intercourse and the cultivation of more pleasant relations among members of the service and the public generally.

The session will be held in the Elks' Temple which has kindly been tendered for this occasion and an attractive programme is being arranged. The meeting will be called at 11 o'clock in the morning and will continue until about noon. A number of matter of importance will be discussed and the meeting will prove both helpful and entertaining. The first meeting of the Association was held in Wilmington about two years ago and it has grown steadily in influence and membership since that time. Mr. R. F. Gore, of Wilmington, is president and Mr. E. D. Pearsall, of Rocky Point is secretary of the organization.

## MRS. SOLOMON ENTERTAINED.

**Elegant Luncheon Followed by Card Party During Past Week.**

Mrs. Albert Solomon gave a delightful luncheon, followed by a pretty card party, from 1 to 6 o'clock an evening during the past week in compliment to a numebr of visitors in the city for the holidays. The Solomon home was very prettily decorated according to a color scheme of red and green which was admirably carried out for the entertainment. The guests were as follows: Miss Edna Blumenthal of Philadelphia; Miss Helen Weil of Goldsboro; Miss Miriam Simons, of Statesville, N. C.; Miss Anna Josephson, of Macon, Ga.; Miss Irene Wilmer, of Cleveland, Ohio; Miss Miriam Jacobs, of Portland, Ore.; Miss Ray Solomon, of New York; Miss Erma Strauss, of Louisville, Ky.; Misses Hattye Taylor, Lillie Taylor, Helen Solomon, Jeannette Frank, Estella Shrier, Hannah Shrier, and Mamie Bear, of Wilmington. Mrs. Solomon's guests wil long cherish pleasant memories of the pretty affair.

**Survey on Schooner Edna.**

At the request of Capt. Cole, of the schooner Edna, which was recently towed to her destination here from Charleston into which port she was taken badly damaged in a recent storm, a board of survey was held yesterday on the vessel, the board consisting of Capt Quillin, of the Herbert D. Maxwell, Capt. Wood, of the John J. Hansen, and Mr. W. N. Harriss, former port warden. The Board recommended the vessel be refitted here with spars, sails and part rigging. The Edna brought cargo of coal for the Springer Coal Company and will load lumber at the Northrop mill.

Read Gaylord's advertisement today. **

## LOCAL DOTS.

—Cars will be run to the Beach every half hour from 1 to 5 o'clock this afternoon in addition to the regular schedule. The same arrangements will be in effect on New Year's Day.

—The Star has with the compliments of J. H. Rehder & Co., a very pretty calendar for the new year. It comes with a pretty Christmas card attached extending happy greetings from the big department store of the firm.

—The Atlantic National Bank is sending out a souvenir for the New Year that is quite serviceable. It is in the form of a clothes brush on the back of which is incidentally told the story of the bank's splendid resources. It has a capital of $125,000 and surplus and profits of $250,000.

—An attractive and useful New Year souvenir is a pretty little celluloid desk calendar sent out by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of which Mr. G. T. Emmart is the manager in this city. The calendar is good for 10 years with reference forward or backward.

—Messrs. Sutton & Williamson, lectrical contractors, have secured offices in room No. 5, Smith Building, and have an announcement elsewhere in to-day's paper that will be read with interest by persons requiring expert work at reasonable figures. Their phone is 1336.

—There was no regular session of the police court yesterday. The four colored lads charged with breaking or attempting to break into the Fourth Street market house, were taken in the back yard and flogged by their parents at the direction of the Mayor who held that they were too young to be punished by law.

—The British steamer Elfie was cleared yesterday by Messrs. Heide & Co., for Port Glasgow, Scotland, The ship carries cargo of 450,000 feet of veneering timber and 2,000 barrels of rosin, the whole valued at $28,000 and consigned by Capt. Will L. Miller to the Acme Tea Chest Company of Glasgow.

—From a compilation of data covering a period of 35 years at the local weather bureau a report is just issued showing the average condition of January weather as follows: Normal temperature 47; warmest month was in 1890 with an average of 57; coldest month was 1893 with an average of 39. The highest temperature was 80 on the eighth, 1890 and the lowest was nine degrees on the sixth, 1884.

—One of the largest as well as one of the most artistic calendars ever issued by a Wilmington institution is that being sent to patrons by the Willard & Giles Company, General Insurance. The art design is "The Death of the First-Born" from the original painting by W. H. Drake, A. N. A., a tragedy of the vast sand wastes of the Soudan, the habitation of the King of Beasts.

## DEATH OF MRS. COLVIN.

**Good Woman Passed Away Near Atkinson During Past Week.**

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Atkinson, N. C., Dec. 29.—On December 26th, at 10 o'clock P. M., Mrs. L. V. Colvin, widow of the late A. M. Colvin, passed away. Mrs. Colvin was in her seventy-seventh year and some weeks ago suffered from an attack of pneumonia from which she never recovered.

Since early life Mrs. Colvin has been a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. The funeral was conducted Thursday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. K. McCaskill, of Ivanhoe and the remains were tenderly laid to rest by loving friends in the family burying grounds near here. Of her immediate family she leaves to mourn their loss a son, Mr. J. H. Colvin, and a daughter, Miss Ada G. Colvin, and one grand-daughter, Miss Lillian Moore Colvin, besides a host of other relatives and friends who sympathize with them in their deep bereavement.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

From the record at the Court House yesterday the following real estate transfers appear: Robert F. Macomber and wife, of Richmond, to Mrs. Albert Rothschild, deed to correct title to property on south side of Chestnut, 116 feet west of 12th street, 33x82 feet in size. Albert Rothschild and wife to W. F. Alexander, for $2,300, property on south side of Chestnut, 66 feet west of 12th street, 132x165 feet in size. Mrs. Mary C. James and W. G. James to Jeremiah Fonville, for $150, property on south side of Fanning 103 feet east of Wood, 33x66 feet in size. G. E. Burnett and wife to J. E. Winstead and wife, for $10 and other considerations, property on west side of Fifth 66 feet north of Wright street, 30x99 feet in size.

## FUNERAL OF BISHOP SMITH.

**Obsequies Postponed Till To-day at Norfolk—Body Missed Connection.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—The body of the late Bishop A. Coke Smith, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, which was expected to reach here this morning from Asheville, N. C., where Bishop Smith died Thursday night, failed to arrive until 5.30 o'clock this afternoon and the funeral has been postponed until 2.30 o'clock to-morrow. The body en route from Asheville, missed connection at Danville, Va., last night.

Bishops Granberry and Wilson of the Methodist Episcopal Church South will officiate at the funeral. Bishop Coadjutor Beverly D. Tucker, of the Episcopal diocese of Southern Virginia, is to be an honorary pall-bearer.


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## SUNDAY SERVICES.

**Announcements By Wilmington Pastors For City Pulpits To-day.**

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows building, second floor; Services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson Sermon "God." All are invited.

Market Street M. E. Church, South, corner Ninth and Market streets, Rev. W. L. Rexford pastor: Preaching Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. S. S. at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.

Second Advent Church: Prayer and song service at 10 o'clock conducted by W. J. Reaves. Regular services at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 3 P. M. Evening prayer and Song Service conducted by W. E. Streeter from 7 to 8 o'clock. Regular services in the evening 7:30. Pastor J. W. S. Harvey. All are invited. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease rector: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Seats free. Strangers are cordially invited.

Bladen Street M. E. Church, Rev. A. J. Parker pastor: Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday School at 3:30; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, Rev. Kenneth D. Holmes, pastor. Services to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by the pastor. Sunday school at 3 P. M. R. V. Leonard superintendent. Midweek prayer service Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor: Sunday after Christmas. English morning service 11 A. M. Vesper service with sermon appropriate to the beignning of the New Year 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 3.30 P. M. Meeting of the Christian Association 4:30 P. M. A cordial welcome extended to all. Seats free.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth Street, Rev. C. W. Kegley pastor: Sunday school 10 A. M.; preaching, preparatory and Holy Communion service at 11 A. M. Vesper service at 7:30 P. M. Young People's Society Thursday at 8 P. M. Every person welcome.

St. Thomas Church: First Mass 7 A. M. Last Mass, sermon 10:30 A. M. Vespers 7:45 P. M.

**Our Voices Deepen.**

The primitive inhabitants of Europe were all tenors; their descendants of the present time are baritones, and future generations will have semibass voices. The voice has a tendency to deepen with age. The tenor of twenty becomes the baritone of twenty-eight and the bass of thirty-six. The inferior races have higher pitched voices than the more cultured. The negro has a higher voice than the white man. Among white races, the fair complexioned man has a higher voice than his darker skinner brother. The former is usually a baritone or a tenor, the latter a contralto or bass. It is asserted that tenors are usually of slender build, whereas basses are stout, but there are too many exceptions to such a rule for it to be reliable. The same remark applies to the statement that thoughtful men have deep toned voices and vice versa. The tones of a voice are perceptibly higher before than after a meal, for which reason tenors are generally careful not to sing too soon after dinner.—Pearson's Weekly.

**Mixed Path to Happiness.**

"How nice and fit you look this morning! You always look so fresh after a shave," said Myers to his wife as he entered the breakfast room.

"How pretty that little house dress is that you have on!" she answered, with a smile.

"What on earth are you two people talking about?" inquired the friend who was visiting them.

"You see, we read an article in a magazine supplement once, entitled 'Recipe For a Continuous Honeymoon,'" said Mrs. Myers. "It gave a list of the phrases that husband and wife should say to each other every morning before breakfast. George was so tickled with the idea that he cut them out and pasted them on the doors of our respective bedrooms. We were to use one of the phrases every morning. But it happened that he pasted the two sections exactly wrong, so that the husband's list was on my door and the wife's on his. And now when he comes in and says to me, 'You don't know how well that waistcoat sets off your great deep chest,' I answer, 'What a dear, lovable little thing you are!' That's the answer. We have a lot of fun out of it. Great scheme, isn't it?"—New York Press.

**Lifting With the Fingers.**

Did you ever see a man lifted from the floor with the index fingers of four or five persons? It is not hard to do if the effort is made with perfect unanimity. Five persons can very easily raise a man with only seven fingers if the subject is not too heavy. Let two persons stooping down place their index fingers under the feet. Two others, with one finger each, will raise the elbows. A fifth will raise the chin with one finger—total, seven fingers. When all are in readiness let each take a long, full breath, and all together, "One, two, three, raise!" When the effort to be put forth is only of short duration there is considerable muscular force in the fingers, and it is not strange that the united power of seven fingers should overcome the dead weight of a person of 150 to 160 pounds.

**Making New Rubber Plants.**

From a rubber plant which is growing in a living room, the best way to get plants is by scoring the bark of the limb where you want the roots to grow and covering the injury with sphagnum moss, which must always be kept damp. Roots will soon permeate the moss, when the limb should be cut off and potted.—Garden Magazine.


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## WARM WIRELETS

Lee Holder, 18 years old, has been arrested at Union City, Tenn., charged with the murder of his father, the Rev. J. R. Holder, a Presbyterian minister who was found dead Thursday night.

At Hopkinsville on Friday Lewis Wilson, shot Margaret Taylor, his sister-in-law and Henry Morris her husband. Both will probably die. They had just been married. Wilson hot them because the marriage was against his wishes.

Five men all sleeping in a caboose were crushed to death Friday night in a collision between a stock train and a locomotive near Winnipeg Junction, Manitoba. All the bodies were terribly mangled and four have not yet been identified.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Southern League of baseball clubs at Birmingham yesterday the championship of 1906 was awarded to Birmingham. The meeting was harmonious, numerous protests lodged during the playing season having been withdrawn.

James Polk, aged 60 years, was shot and killed early to-day by Cirb Waldop a young man who had escorted two of Polk's daughters to an entertainment, returning with them about 2 A. M. Polk berated the young man for coming home so late and in the quarrel that followed Polk was killed.

The Japanese diet was opened at Tokio yesterday morning by the Emperor in person. In the speech from the throne His Majesty dwelt upon the increasingly cordial relations between Japan and the Powers and the great development in national defense. The diet will meet again on January 21, when the budget will be presented.

Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who has been ill at her London residence since December 24, was yesterday morning reported to be in a critical condition. the extreme age of the noted philanthropist (she was born in 1814) renders doubtful her recovery from the attack of acute bronchitis from which the is suffering.

A bill was filed at Nashville yesterday in the Chancery Court to enjoin the State of Tennessee from purchasing 11,000 acres of coal lands in the Cumberland mountains. The bill was filed by John D. Fletcher, Hayden Dodd and others. Fletcher and Dodd are connected with the Cumberland Coal Company, which owns a large body of coal lands near those sought by the State.

The Southern Educational Association at Montgomery, Ala., yesterday elected the following officers: President R. J. Tighe, Asheville, N. C.; First Vice President Dr. E. B. Craighead, New Orleans; Second Vice President J. Y. Joyner, Raleigh, N. C.; Third Vice President E. L. Floyd, Montgomery, Ala.; Secretary, J. B. Cunningham, Birmingham, Ala.; Treasurer, E. P. Burns, Atlanta.

At St. Paul Minn., yesterday Alaska Garnet Mining and Manufacturing Company, of Minneapolis, filed articles of incorporation. with the Secretary of State. The board of directors is composed entirely of women, in fact, there does not appear to be a man connected with the company. The company is capitalized at 1,000,000 and it will mine and manufacture garnets. Mamie R. Fowler, of Minneapolis, is president of the company.

St. Petersburg newspapers assert that the book written by Gen. Kuropatkin on the Russian-Japanese war which has just been published, has been confiscated by the authorities. Gen. Kuropatkin's work on the war is in several volumes. It is understood to discuss frankly the faults of the Russian system and to set forth the general's troubles with the war office and his subordinate during the campaign.

Barring a five mile early morning sprint over the country roads, through snow and slush Joe Gans and Kid Herman, who meet in the pugilistic ring on New Years day, did little in the way of exercising at Tonapah, Nev yesterday. There was almost no betting to-day in the pool rooms. The prevailing odds are 2 to 1 on Gans.

Joe Petrolo, Maggie Sullivan and Lawrence Sullivan, the 12 year old son of Maggie Suillivan, were brutally murdered at a camp of railroad laborers near Hurts, Va., early yesterday morning.

### BIG FIRE IN NEW YORK.

**Seven Story Factory of National Biscuit Company Destroyed**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec., 29.—The stubbornest and most spectacular fire that the New York fire department has had to deal with in some time kept a large number of firemen and engines busy for several hours today. Before the fire had been brought under control it had destroyed nearly all of the down town block bounded by South, Montgomery, Water and Clinton streets. The total loss is roughly estimated at $300,000.

Originating in the boiler room of the National Biscuit Company's factory, the flames wiped out everything inflamable about the seven story brick structure, and spread to adjoining property. Several nearby tenants caught fire, with much resulting excitement, but no injury to their occupants.

### TRIAL FOR LICORICE TRUST.

**North Carolina Tobacco Manufacturer Was Witness Yesterday.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec., 29.—The trial of the alleged licorice paste combine was continued today. Mr. Brown, of the firm of Brown & Williams, of Winston, N. C., independent plug tobacco manufacturers, testified that in 1904, about the time the alleged combination was being formed, he had been unable to get his usual supply of licorice paste at any price. Later he said,, when he made a contract with the J. S. Young Company, he had been supplied with the paste, but he had not been permitted to accumulate any stock of the paste fo future needs. Several other manufacturers gave similar testimony.

# The Shooters of Philadelphia

*A New Year's Sketch*
*By J. A. Edgerton*

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IN the Quaker City the New Year has a reception worth while. He is ushered in by a long, gorgeous and expensive parade and is escorted on his way with music, frolic and fun. Everybody makes merry or watches others doing so, the clubs keep open house, the mummers turn out by the thousand, the clowns crack jokes, the bands play, the "shooters" march in fancy dress, there are cowboys, Indians, kings, princes, high moguls and maskers galore, and altogether the festival is a veritable riot of color, sound and gayety. There are silks and velvets, gilt and glitter, floats and fandangoes till you can't rest, and neither can the marchers.

GETUPS FEARFUL AND WONDERFUL TO BEHOLD.

Altogether it is a spectacle to make the little Annus Domini glad that he is on earth. He may get hard usage after that first day, but his initiation is one that he can remember as a "thing of beauty and a joy forever."

It is not generally known that the city of William Penn has a carnival on the 1st of each January that in cost and size excels even the famous Mardi Gras of New Orleans, but such is the fact. It is called the shooters' parade. Last year there were over 5,000 people in line and fully half a million looking on, and the affair promises to be b'gger this year than ever before. The expense runs into the hundreds of thousands. Last year one costume cost thousands. It belonged to the captain of one of the marching organizations and was one that would have made Solomon green with envy. The train to this costume was wide enough to cover Philadelphia's chief street, and was so heavy that it required 131 pages to carry it. The train of the captain of a rival organization was almost as elaborate and expensive. Not only so, but these thousands of yards of dry goods consisted of the finest fabrics, figured with dainty roses and fringed with most delicate trimmings. Then there were other getups fearful and wonderful to behold that would have gladdened the eyes of the king of Siam or of the Lord High Ringumdoodle of the island of Woolimalo. There were Irish Indians, German negroes and Yankee chinks. There were knights and "white caps," queens and jesters, coons and courtiers. There were in line the Homebreakers' association, a Wyoming Hayseeds' association, a Hardly Able association and a Red Carrot association. There was a Weary Willie band, likewise a Trilby string band. There were floats that told of the downfall of Iz Durham, floats on the Japs licking the Russians, floats on pretty much everything and floats that were on nothing much at all. All this was a year ago, but it is being repeated with additions and frills this year. If you don't believe it visit Philadelphia and see for yourself.

The Philadelphia shooters started over a century ago. In the early days they simply went to each other's house, made speeches, recited bad poetry, ate, drank, danced and were merry. This they kept up all New Year's day They got the name of shooters from the fact that they fired a volley before each door before entering. They called it shooting the old year out and the new year in. One time they shot a man, but usually they only shot holes in the Quaker stillness of the place. Gradually the custom extended, until now they celebrate the coming of the novum annum all night and march all the next day. They are still called shooters, but in reality are mostly mummers. The expenses are borne by the various clubs and associations and individual contributions. People put in small amounts each week in order that they may have a proper carnival. Then the city offers prizes for the best floats and maskers. The parade, which is many miles in length, is reviewed by the mayor, regular judges are appointed to make the awards, and the thing is done up on business principles. The whole city takes a pride in the event. Even the statues of Father Penn and Benjamin Franklin have kindly twinkles in their eyes.

The citizens predict that this will grow to be one of the most famous carnivals in the land. They even have hopes that it may become a national institution. Some of the old fellows grumble, it is true, that the shooters' calls in the early days were better than these expensive affairs. They say, "We spent 50 cents and had $5 worth of fun, while you spend $500 and have no fun at all." But there are always fault finders.

There have been mummers in all ages. They were in Babylon. They danced before King Menes in Egypt. They made merry in Troy before the days when Agememnon and Achilles quarreled over a girl outside the walls. If there ever was a continent called Atlantis they doubtless had riproaring times in the streets of its capitals. Kings may come and kings may go, but fun goes on forever. So long as human nature loves mimicry, so long as it delights in the fantastic and the ridiculous, so long will the mummer be in our midst. The day may come when the last king shall have lost his throne and when the only queens will be those that men crown with their love, but the kings and queens of the carnival will still make their appearance to lead in the frolic. Empires may pass, continents may sink in the sea, but laughter and song, jollity and happiness, mirth and love abide forever. They can no more be quenched than the sunlight, no more be stilled than the murmur of the winds and the streams, no more become stale by frequence than the dawns and eves. So the method of ushering in the New Year that has become the vogue in the City of Brotherly Love is one that appeals to the human heart. Blow him in on gales of laughter and greet him with a comic mask. He will see enough of tragedy ere the procession of the months has borne him away. We shall see it also, and live it. Then why not initiate the year with gladness? Perhaps if we start it so some of the joy may linger in our hearts.

This New Year's day old Broad street, Philadelphia, will be the witness of a scene such as will gladden the heart of little 1907. It is safe to say that he will know no other like welcome anywhere on earth. King Momus himself will give him royal escort. He will be accompanied on his way by court chamberlains, by gorgeously bedight attendants and by innumerable bands of music. He will be cheered by the hundreds of thousands that line the wide thoroughfare as they strain at the ropes, swarm the pavements, crowd at the windows and perch on every point of vantage.

At 8:30 or soon thereafter a band will blare up the street, followed by the city police and dignitaries. Then will follow marching clubs in robes so splendid that they would eclipse the liveries of kings. Following these will be other bands, living cartoons and caricatures on wagons, giving a mimic but grotesque history of the events of the past year. There will be miles and

KINGS, QUEENS AND JESTERS.

miles of the marchers. Last year the parade was ten miles long, and this year it will be even longer. All day long the maskers will be about the streets, weary, but happy. Everybody will be in good humor, for has not a guest come that never came before? Other years there have been an innumerable caravan of them—in fact, reaching back into the mists of nations and civilizations that are dead—but never this year—our year in the ever advancing Now. He is different. Let us hope that he will prove a little greater and a little better than any that have preceded.

### SPIDERS OF CEYLON.

**Their Golden Webs Will Ensnare Birds and Lizards.**

Far up in the mountains of Ceylon there is a spider that spins a web like bright yellowish silk, the central net of which is five feet in diameter, while the supporting lines or guys, as they are called, measure sometimes ten or twelve feet. The spider seldom bites or stings, but should any one try to catch him bite he will, and, though not venomous, his jaws are as powerful as a bird's beak.

The bodies of these spiders are very handsomely decorated, being bright gold or scarlet underneath, while the upper part is covered with the most delicate slate colored fur.

So strong are the webs that birds the size of larks are frequently caught therein, and even the small but powerful scaly lizard falls a victim. A writer says that he has often sat and watched the yellow monster—measuring, when waiting for his prey, with his legs stretched out, fully six inches—striding across the middle of the net and noted the rapid manner in which he winds his stout threads round the unfortunate captive.

He usually throws the coils about the head until the wretched victim is first blinded and then choked. In many unfrequented dark nooks of the jungle you come across skeletons of small birds caught in these terrible snares.

### ENGRAVED PICTURES.

**Their Romantic Origin Dates Back to the Fifteenth Century.**

The art of engraved pictures dates its romantic origin to the chamber of a Florentine goldsmith, Maso Finiguerra, in the fifteenth century, about the time that Gutenberg was struggling with his printing from movable types. Before that day pictures were drawn or painted by hand. Finiguerra was a celebrated worker in metals, and, being commissioned to make a pax of gold engraved with a coronation of the Virgin, he sought to test his design by filling in the lines with a preparation of oil and lampblack, which threw the picture into relief. By chance the face was laid face downward on a piece of damp linen, and when taken up it was discovered that the picture was printed. Sheet after sheet of damp paper was impressed by the same plate and the good news that the art of printing pictures was born spread like wildfire throughout Europe. The collection of old prints introduces Albrecht Durer, the "father of line engraving" (1471) in four brilliant impressions of "Adam and Eve," "Little Horse," "Melancholia" and "St. Gerome." "Melancholia" is a strange composition of extraordinary originality, and has been a mystery for over four centuries. This bit of yellowed paper, possibly pulled from the plate by Durer's own hands, has lost none of its fascination.—Chicago Post.

### NO SENTIMENT IN SIGHS.

**They Are Simply Caused by a Desire For More Breath.**

The sigh, which from time immemorial and by all the poets whoever sung has been regarded as a matter of sentiment and connected with the emotions, is declared by physicians to be as purely a physical phenomenon as is the sneeze or cough. A well known Philadelphia doctor, speaking of this the other day, explained that the sigh is nature's method of making one take a deep breath. When the lungs have been getting insufficient air a sigh is the means by which they are replenished, or when the air has been impure the sigh which one often takes in stepping out into the open air is from the same cause.

The doctor admitted that people sometimes sigh from sorrow or other mental ill, but maintained that this is partly because it has been accepted as the expression of grief through ages as long as kissing and handshaking have been accepted as signs of affection or friendship. Another reason why a sigh follows a sorrowful thought is that such thoughts are often concentrated and intense enough to cause insufficient breathing. When the lungs suffer for a certain time from this insufficiency the sigh follows. Sighs are often caused, too, says the same authority, by certain sorts of indigestion. —Philadelphia Record.

**An Ancient Recipe.**

An ancient recipe for making a sweet perfume for the ladies runs as follows: Take storax, calamite and benjamin, of each half an ounce, laudanum one ounce, musk two grains, and put them together in a fair brass mortar, which you must first warm so hot in the fire that with the heat thereof and beating with a little pestle it may work like wax, which, being thoroughly wrought, you may make it in little cakes or balls and so lay it up.—Home Notes.

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A. M. WADDELL,
Mayor.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Have come and gone and may there be many pleasant remembrances of this joyful season for you. Accept my good wishes and many thanks for the special favors and kindnesses you have shown to me.

The year of 1906 has gone, and there is placed on my books, business that has never been equalled by any before. We have gotten to the place where we know how to serve the people to a great deal better advantage and we are enabled to buy our goods in larger quantities and at much lower prices than the average merchant pays.

We have the money with which to discount our bills and we are giving that discount to you in the way of trading stamps which we own and operate our own system.

We buy the books and we buy the stamps and give them to you and we buy our own premiums. There is no middle man's profit but we are able to give you the whole thing. In other words the full percentage of the premium is yours instead of dividing the profits with another.

The people of Wilmington and the surrounding country have certainly been most liberal with us.

Since beginning this business nineteen years ago in this city, each and every year surpasses the last. 1906 has been exceptionally good and with your assistance, with a greatly increased stock, with unusually low prices to offer, we want to make 1907 surpass any previous year. Our plans are already laid, my stock is already purchased for the Spring business and we are receiving daily now large shipments of goods with which to supply your early wants.

In our dress goods and silk departments, white goods and ginghams your want can be easily supplied.

We feel that we are controlling the best trade in Wilmington in this department. Our stock is very large and our assortment is most complete. It does not grow old or shop-worn, but if it does not sell readily there is a price put on it which does sell it. The stock is new, fresh and clean and we have a lot of new styles to show.

If you did not buy your fall dress from us, give us a chance to sell you your Spring dress.

If you have anything in view for immediate purchase, give us a chance to show you those. I do not hesitate to say we undersell the other fellow and all I ask is an opportunity to prove it. You can be the judge, not him nor me, but you only. Take the goods if they suit and if they do not, we thank you just the same.

For muslin underwear for ladies and children, we have just received this week an unusually large shipment. This stock is carried on our second floor and is shown exclusively by the young ladies in the department. Do not hesitate to ask for what you may want. We guarantee the price.

Remember we sell the Royal Muslin Underwear and we are sole agents for this line in the city. Every seam is felled and every garment is full size and made to measure.

We also sell The Mentor line of knit underwear for ladies and children. We are showing a line of Snug Fit garments. The shape of the garment is correct with no wrinkles anywhere. In underwear we sell everything and for every one from the tiniest infant to the largest man. Plenty of union suits from 25c to $1.00 a suit. All kinds of vests and bodies for babies.

Our cloak department has quite a nice assortment of new cloaks just received as well as a nice line of new furs.

The young lady in that department is in a position to give you liberal discount in those goods and we will be glad to have you see her stock.

The year of 1906 has gone and my wishes are that we may have many more and even greater prosperity in 1907.

I thank you again for your holiday patronage and trust that each one is well satisfied with purchases.

Our business was all that we could attend to and even had we the opportunity, we had not the force to do any more.

The store is now thoroughly cleaned up and looks bright and new and we ask that you come to see us again. We have plenty of trading stamps and a large number of premiums. If you have not a book, ask for one. It is furnished you free of charge and stamps given with every purchase which amounts to 10c, at

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| 1.00 Brussels Carpet, Rooms, Hall and Stairs | .85 |
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| 30.00 Axminister Art Squares 9x12, this week | $25.00 |
| 25.00 Axminister Art Squares 9x12, this week | 22.50 |
| 12.50 Wool and Fiber 9x12 Art Squares this week | 11.00 |
| 12.00 All Fiber Art Squares 9x12 this week | 10.00 |
| 50c Fiber Carpet, sewed and laid this week, per yard, | .35 |

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We want to reduce our large stock of Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits. Prices like these should clean them all out:

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## SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—The First National Bank of Statesville, will increase its capital stock from $50,000 to $100,000, January 1.

—Gov. Glenn has gone from Raleigh to Asheville and will deliver an address to-day (Sunday).

—At Monroe on Thursday $17,000 in lots were sold at auction in two hours. The property sold was at Vann Heights, a beautiful suburb.

—Charlotte Observer, Dec. 29.—The drug stores are doing a thriving business in the way of purchasing empty whiskey flasks. One darkey was seen entering a well known drug store with a sack which contained over a hundred bottles.

—Washington, N. C., Dec. 28.—Master Willie Wright accidentally shot himself in the leg Tuesday at his home on Main street while playing with a 22-caliber rfle. The injury proved only slighgt. Young Wright dressed the wound himself and was out walking this afternoon.

—Raleigh, Dec. 28.—It is learned that the temperance movement is to be made very prominent in the State next year, and that there is to be a State convention here some time in January to consider important questions. Several months ago a considerable agitation began on the question of prohibition for the entire State. Prohibition is now prevailing in something more than two-thirds of North Carolina.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Ella Cardwell, of Pilot Mountain, died on the N. & W. train between Pine Hall and Madison about 6:15 o'clock last evening. Mrs. Cardwell and her sister, Mrs. Ziglar, also of Pilot Mountain, were here yesterday and left on the Roanoke train for Stoneville, to visit Mrs. Bettie Wall, daughter of Mrs. Ziglar. Mrs. Cardwell was 65 years old and Dr. Harris, of Roanoke, who was sitting near when she expired, said that apoplexy was the cause of her death.

—Mocksville, Dec. 28.—Jesse Smith, a white boy 17 years old, was found dead late yesterday evening in the woods near Advance, this county. The body had two bullet holes in it, about the stomach and breast and a shotgun underneath the body; every indication points to foul play. The ground about the dead man's bondy indicates a desperate struggle. Sheriff Sheek received a telegram this morning to come to the scene of the tragedy. No report from the coroner's jury has yet been received. Young Smith was the son of Edward Smith, a farmer near Advance.

—Charlotte Observer, Dec. 29.—Willie Chambers and Johnnie O'Daniel, two small white boys while playing in the vacant lot at the cornor of College and East Hill streets, yesterday afternoon, found a dead negro baby wrapped in much paper and cloth. The only tell-tale about the bundle was a copy of the Metropolitan Review, a negro paper published at Columbia, S. C. The discovery of the body was reported to the police department and Chief Irwin went down to get the remains, and make an investigation. It was noted that the body was covered with cloth and then wrapped in the Columbia paper which, in turn, was inside the white paper. The skull had been crushed.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 28.—Gilt Brandham, a young white man, who was shot Monday night by John Gordon, died at the Twin-City Hospital about 6:45 last night and was buried in the new Woodland Cemetery. Deceased was conscious to the last and begged to see his mother, who resides at Big Stone Gap, Va. Herbert Crumpler, a young white man, claim that he was near the two men when the shooting occurred. He says that Brandham and Gordon were on Eleventh street, between Chestnut and Depot; that Gordon fired four times at Brandham; that after the latter fell he raised up and shot one time at Gordon. Brandham came here from Kentucky about three months ago; that his mother esided in Virginia and that he ran away from home a few years ago. He had been working at a furniute factory and boarding at the home of the man accused of firing the fatal shot.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 28.—The officers are looking for a clue to the parties who, on Wednesday night, shot and wounded Susie Crawford and Joseph Roddy, both colored, the former a cook in the employ of Mr. C. C. Shelton and the latter a driver for Dr. Humphrey Hall, colored. The shooting occurred on Chestnut street at an alley near Caspar's place. The Crawford woman and Roddy say they were on the return from an entertainment given at the Citizens' Hall by the colored order of Odd Fellows. Just as they were passing the alley a crowd of colored fellows passed them and without reason, o far as can be learned, the shooting began. The woman was hit in the foot by a bullet. Roddy received two bullets, the first in the right foot and the other was a rebound ball, striking the man in the head. Dr. Hall does not consider the wounds dangerous. The ball in the foot has not been found. Neither of the wounded parties was able to give the least idea who did the shooting, but the officers claim they are on the right track.

### A Miraculous Cure.

The following statement by H. M. Adams and wife of Henrietta, Pa., will interest parents ond others. "A miraculous cure has taken place in our home. Our child had eczema five years and was pronounced incurable. when we read about Electroc Bitters, and concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all taken we noticed a change for the better and after taking seven bottle he was completely cured." Its the up-to-date blood medicine and body building tonic. Guaranteed. 50c and $1.00 at R. B. Bellamy's drug store.

## POLLY'S MASQUERADE

By BELLE MANIATES

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"Hillman! Hillman!" lustily called the brakeman, thrusting open the car door as the train slackened.

Two of the passengers were roused from a state of passivity by this announcement and, gathering their belongings, hastened out into the cold night. One was a young girl with a city bred air and appointments; the other, a man distinguished in appearance. They both looked bewilderingly about them as the train slowly pulled out.

"This doesn't look like my recollections of Hillman," said the girl, looking about the small, deserted station.

"It isn't Hillman!" said the man decidedly. "What station is this?" he asked as a railroad employee came out of the depot.

"This? This is Rollins. Hillman is six miles beyant—next stop, except the siding."

The two passengers looked at each other in mutual dismay. The girl spoke

"DEAR ME! HOW CAN I TELL YOU—SHE SWEARS!"

first. She spoke one word, and that a man's word. The railroad employee looked shocked, but the other man appeared relieved.

"Thank you very much," he said. "You voice my sentiments exactly. Our common misfortune should allow us to waive all ceremony and conventionality. My name is John Winters. I have recently taken up my abode in Hillman."

"Mine is Polly Lester," she said frankly, "and I am only going to Hillman to visit. I trust I will never take up my abode there."

"It isn't an enticing spot," he admitted, laughing. "When can we get a train to Hillman?" he asked of the railroad employee.

"Not till tomorrow morning."

"Then we must drive there. I presume there is no livery here, but there must be some one who will drive us over."

"I guess Hank Innis, the barkeep, would take you over in his automobile. I'll see."

He returned shortly with the barkeep and a runabout. John Winters made a bargain with him for the trip, and as Polly climbed to the seat beside him he said:

"I have some good news for you. It seems our train meets the western express three miles from here, and that train is reported late, so we can overtake our train and continue our way as we started."

Polly quite enjoyed this little adventure. She always did have a weakness and a tendency for adventures. She chatted freely with her new acquaintance. She was almost sorry when they overtook and boarded the sidetracked train, receiving apologies from the brakeman and grins from the passengers. Polly and John Winters continued their chatter until they approached Hillman. Then she said abruptly:

"Hillman is a small place, and people have narrow views regarding proprieties. It would be as well if we got off singly and separately and meeting, as we doubtless will, as strangers."

"Certainly. You are right," agreed Winters, going forward to the smoking car.

Polly was met and whisked away to the one hack by a spinster aunt.

"Has Hillman changed much—any new people moved in since I was last here, Aunt Cornelia?" asked Polly demurely as they were unpacking her luggage.

"Oh, yes. Hillman is growing fast. Lots of people, and we've got a new minister, a city fellow."

"What's his name?" demanded Polly, looking up interestedly.

"The Rev. Mr. Winters."

"Oh!" gasped Polly feebly, bending over a refractory box cover. "What does he look like?"

"I am ashamed to say I haven't seen him," replied her aunt. "First Sunday he was here I had a cold. The next Sunday it just poured. He has called, but I was not at home."

"Well, I presume he will call again," remarked Polly.

Later, when she was alone and reposing comfortably in the billowy feather bed, she laughed wickedly and delightedly.

"Oh, what would Aunt Cornelia do if she knew I swore right before the new minister! She'd leave town, I do believe. I thought I liked him very well, but I don't know. I like a minister to live up to his calling, and he should not have been amused. It was frivolous in him to know so much about the world. If he weren't a minister I know I'd like him, but as he is a minister I'd like him to be different."

The next afternoon her aunt announced that she had to attend a club meeting from which, she regretted to say, outsiders were excluded. Polly appeared resigned, however, and after her aunt's departure she wandered about the house seeking diversion. She found it in her aunt's bedroom in the shape of a wig, for her aunt had to resort to a false headgear, having lost her hair through illness.

Polly promptly donned it and surveyed herself.

"I don't look unlike aunt," she thought, "only I am young and plump. We look like the advertisements for 'before and after taking.'"

In pursuance of the resemblance she tried on a black silken gown of her aunt's. She had just pinned on a long, pointed lace collar and fastened it with a huge cameo pin when she looked out of the window and saw her fellow traveler coming up the steps.

"Coming for a ministerial call. He won't recognize me in this outfit, and he has never seen aunt. I shall personate her!"

She hastened to admit the caller.

"How do you do—Mr. Winters, is it not? I am Miss Cornelia Laflin. Be seated, please. I thought I was never going to meet my pastor. I was so sorry I was out when you called before."

He politely regretted the fact also and proceeded to talk of the church matters.

"Hypocrite!" thought Polly. "I'll test him further."

"Mr. Winters, I don't suppose I ought to tell you my troubles on our first meeting, but I feel I must unburden my mind and ask your advice."

"Certainly, my dear Miss Laflin. You may command and trust me."

"I have a niece visiting me—a well meaning girl, but brought up in a worldly way, and, Mr. Winters, will you believe me, she actually at times—dear me, how can I tell you—she swears!"

"No, Miss Laflin! You amaze me! It cannot be possible!"

"Horrid hypocrite!" thought Polly again.

Hearing voices on the porch, she looked out and beheld her aunt entering in company with a man. Dismayed, she snatched the wig from her head regardless of the effect upon the minister. She had just concealed it when her aunt and companion entered.

"I made a mistake in the date, Polly. This is our pastor, Mr. Winters. My niece, Miss Lester, Mr. Winters. I met Mr. Winters on his way here."

"Well, John, what are you doing here?" asked the minister after acknowledging the introduction to Polly. Let me introduce my cousin, Mr. Winters, though I presume you have introduced yourself."

"Yes, I introduced myself," he replied cheerfully.

"Polly!" exclaimed her aunt, staring at her niece. "What in the world have you got my dress on for?"

"Why, Aunt Cornelia, I was just trying it on when Mr. Winters rang and I had no time to change."

"And do you know," said John, compelling Polly's averted eyes to meet his, "for just half an instant as you opened the door I thought you were Miss Laflin, and then I at once recognized you as the young lady I saw alighting from the train last night."

### A Western Wonder.

There is a Hill at Bowie, Texas, that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: 'I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of Consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only sure cough and cold cure. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy, druggist. 50c and $1.00 bottles. Trial bottle free.


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# Happenings and Doings In Society.

By G. N. H.

Mrs. Z. Burdette Jones, of Fort Gaines, Ga., is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. Edwin Bunting.

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Miss Bessie Doyle of Norfolk, Va., is the charming guest of the Misses Bessie and Elovine Burruss, on South Third street.

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"Dick" Dunn, as he is affectionately known by his friends, is at home for the holidays.

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Several generous donations of the coin of the realm and many beautiful volumes have been made to the Public Library.

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The formal announcement of the engagement of Miss Emma Northop and Mr. Howard McClintock, was made last week.

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Dr. Russell Bellamy, of New York, is spending a few days with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. William J. H. Bellamy, and has been warmly welcomed by his friends.

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Friends will regret to learn that the promised visit of Miss Betsey London to Miss Alice Davis has been deferred on account of the sickness of Miss London's mother.

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L'Agile Cotillon Club will give its December dance tomorrow evening, dancing the old year out and the new year in. The ball room will be beautifully decorated and much pleasure is anticipated.

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The Princetonians are not the only ones who have been wrecked on a Marcel wave in Wilmington. The Marcel waves of port are supported by the prettiest school of mermaids to be found.

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Mrs. Jessie Kenan Wise and Miss Sarah Kenan are spending the holidays in St. Augustine at the Ponce de Leon, with their mother, Mrs. William Rand Kenan, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Flagler.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Darden, of New York, are spending the holiday season with Mrs. Darden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Davis and have been very warmly greeted by their many friends.

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Mrs. William G. Haughton, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Mr. Owen MacRee Holmes, of Newberry, S. C., were of the out-of-town guests to attend the Harrison-Winstead nuptials. They are the guests of their sister, Mrs. Julia Harrison.

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Mrs. Frederick C. Poisson, accompanied by her sons, Messrs Herbert and Empie Latimer, arrived last Sunday and were warmly welcomed. Mrs. Poisson is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Virginia Empie and the young gentlemen are with their uncle, Mr. William Latimer.

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The bitter cold weather of the past week interferred very seriously with society functions and very little was done, except the large entertainments. Numerous small gatherings were held and pleasant evenings spent in a social and friendly way, but very few, if any of them, could be termed an event, or function. The enthusiasts of golf have apparently been put out of commission by the severe cold, but they are looking forward with much pleasure to a men's handicap on New Year's Day.

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The Princeton Glee Club was greeted with the largest and most fashionable audience of the season at the Academy of Music on Christmas night. The program was a most attractive and catchy one and was admirably executed. The club did not arrive until long after nine o'clock and for that reason it could not attend the supper which would have been given by Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt, at six o'clock. The late arrival of the club was unquestionably a genuine regret and disappointment to Mr. and Mrs. Sprunt, to whom, in a large measure, the cordial greeting of the club was due.

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It was a very beautiful choral service held in St. James Church last Sunday by the Sunday school. A feature of the service was the presentation, by the children of toys and other gifts, for the poor of the city, regardless of creed, or faith. The rector, Rev. Mr. Hogue, is striving to inculcate the habit of giving and teaching the children to find pleasure in relieving want and distress. Fully two hundred and fifty toys and games were given, which found their way to cheerless homes which were made to take on a spirit of the Yuletide by a visitation from Santa Claus.

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The interesting twins of Mr. and Mrs. Simon W. Sanders celebrated the eighth anniversary of their birth, on Thursday afternoon, from three to five o'clock. Little Miss Veritas Mason Sanders and her twin brother, Simon Warren Sanders, presided at their birthday party with a simple charm of manner and proved themselves to be most agreeable host and hostess. Pretty decorations were in the rooms which were given over to the happy little frineds who had been invited to the birthday party. Refreshments were served and pretty little presents were given as souvenirs of the anniversary.

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One of the most pleasant of the holiday society events was the dance given Friday evening in the Masonic Temple ball room by Mrs. Kenneth Murchison to her grandson, Mr. Laurence Sprunt, and chaperoned by his aunts, Mrs. Shirley Carter, of Baltimore and Mrs. Charles Hurkamp, of Fredericksburg, Va. The dance was intended as a surprise to Mr. Sprunt, but in some way, some one let the "cat out of the bag." The fact that the host was not taken by surprise did not detract from the pleasure of the evening. The ball room was beautifully decorated and Mr. Sprunt's guests carry with them pleasant memories.

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Mr. Lawrence Sprunt was host of a very pretty dinner Wednesday evening, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt, Covers were laid for 12 and an evening of unusual pleasure was spent by the guests, who at the conclusion of the dinner, went immediately to the residence of Mr. and Mrs Charles W. Worth, where Mr. Sprunt and his guests were entertained at cards by Miss Julia Worth. The dinner guests were Miss Florence Kidder, Miss Atha Hicks, Miss Lucile Hardy, Misses Jeannie and Fannie Murchison, Misses Julia Worth, Messrs. Mark and Earle Croswell, Mr. Rob James, Mr. Spiers Hicks, and Mr. George Kidder.

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The Christmas dance of L'Arioso German Club was the prettiest and most successful of the many germans danced by the club. The ball room was most elaborately decorated with holly, palms and bamboo, studded with colored incandescent electric lights, and the general effect was made more beautiful by quantities of La France roses skillfully arranged among the greens. The dance was a large one, there being over a hundred participants, many of the ladies being robed in handsome and exquisite gowns. Novel features of the dance were the introduction of many new figures in which favors added much to the spectacular effect, the sereen and ball figures being regarded as among the prettiest of them all. The dance was led by Mr. Richard Bradley.

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It was a beautiful reception which was held by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Watters, in celebrating their silver wedding and introducing their daughter, Miss Nannie E. Watters, on last Friday evening. The Watters home was beautifully decorated, the receiving parlors, halls and dinging rooms were beautiful in their dresses of greens and pretty flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Watters and Miss Watters received their guests with a cordiality which makes one feel perfectly at home, and were assisted by many young friends who vied with each other to serve the callers with dainty refreshments which had been prepared for their enjoyment. Congratulations and best wishes were extended Mr. and Mrs. Watters by their many friends who were pleased to welcome Miss Watters as a debutante.

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The charm of novelty is one of the characteristic features of the entertainments given by Capt. and Mrs. John H. Quinan, and their entertainment on the Seminole Christmas morning added fresh lustre to their reputation. The novel "Chop Suey" given by them last season was no more charming than the "Grab Bag," of Christmas morning and the forty guests spent a very pleasant hour or two. That portion of the ship given up to the entertainment was decorated with flags and evergreen with Old Glory proudly floating over all. In the Captain's cabin the decorations were pretty and were made more attractive by a perfect little Christmas tree, as a center piece for the table. Dainty refreshments were served and the guests received odd and attractive little "Grab Bag" souvenirs from Capt and Mrs. Quinan.

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Twenty years ago the Sacred cantata of the Holy City was sung in this city. Wednesday evening the beautiful story of the birth of Christ, which has been set to music in "The Manger Throne," was sung by a selected choir of fourteen voices under the direction of Mr. Edward H. Munson, the gifted and accomplished organist of St. James church. The cantata was rendered by a robed choir and was opened with a baritone recitative by Mr. Alex S. Holden, who was followed by Mr. Charles Dushan in a tenor solo supplemented by fine chorus effects. The duet by Mrs. Fenley and Mr. Krafft and the solos by Mrs. Cameron MacRae, Mrs. Jospeh W. Yates, Miss Carrie Barker and Mr. Fenley were very fine, while the chorus work by the entire choir was simply great. Mr. John Kniessel and Mr. Cameron F. MacRae added much to the occasion by the skilful handling of their violins.

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Miss Kate Clifford Myers
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were the simple little invitations to one of the prettiest of card parties. The Myers home at St. James' Place was prettily decorated in Christmas greens of holly and mistletoe, attractive flowers adding to the color scheme of the evening. Pretty souvenirs were presented to each guest and delicious refreshments were served. Miss Myers' invitation list was Misses Nellie Savage, Lauriston Hardin, Anna Whitehead, Juliet Merriman, Sue Catlett, Luciana Poisson, Athalia LeGrand, Duralde Borden, Jennie Woodruff, Lillie Taylor, Eugie Woodruff, Mamie Mitchell, Louise Corinth, Alma Love, Bessie Hays, Anna Wooten, Margaret Harriss, Blanche Parsley, Bessie Sears, Theo Cantwell, and Messrs. Frank Williams, James Durham, Louis Belden, Milton Gore, George Ashe, Herbert and Bernard O'Neil, Fred and Louis Poisson, George Meares, Delagle Munds, Joe Jacobs, Clem Brown, Tom Hubbard, Sidney MacMillan and Clarence LeGrand.

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Harmony Circle gave a delightful Christmas dance in the new hall on South Front street Wednesday night. The dance was one of the most pleasing social functions ever given by the club and it was enjoyed to the fullest extent by all the participants. The german was led by Mr. Joe Blumenthal, of Philadelphia and music was furnished by Kneisel's Orchestra. During the evening a delicious supper was served. The dancers, including many out-of-town guests here for the holidays, were: Miss Edith Oettlinger, of Kinston, with Dr. J. H. Hounett; Miss Gertrude Weil, of Goldsboro, with Mr. E. E. David; Miss Helen Weil, of Goldsboro, with Mr. Alfred Rheinstein, of New York; Miss Miriam Jacobs, of Portland, Oregon, with Mr. J. L. Solomon; Miss Eva Einstein, of Kinston, with Mr. Irving Bear; Miss Irma Strauss, of Louisville, with Mr. Joe Blumenthal, of Philadelphia; Miss Miriam Simon, of Statesville, with Mr. Isadore Bear; Miss Irene Wilmer, of Cleveland, with Mr. Fred Bear, of New York; Miss Edna Blumenthal, of Philadelphia, with Mr. J. N. Jacobi; Miss Annie Josephson, of Macon, with Mr. Gus Dannenbaum; Miss Hattie Taylor, with Mr. Lionel Weil, of Goldsboro; Miss Jeanette Frank, with Mr. I. W. Solomon; Miss Mamie Bear, with Mr. Julius Taylor; Miss Ray Solomon with Mr. Herbert Blumenthal; Miss Hannah Shrier, with Mr. M. Bretzfelder; Miss Stella Shrier, with Mr. Marshall Shrier; Miss Alice Fishblate, with Mr. Siegfried Godman; Miss Lilly Taylor, with Mr. Henry Weil.

Stags—Adolph Goodman, A. Roseman, George Hennet, Moses Bear, Lionel Kahn, and Louis Goodman.

Chaperones—Mesdames M. W. Jacobi, S. Solomon, J. M. Solky, S. A. Schloss, H. C. Bear, and L. Blumenthal.

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From a brilliantly illuminated lodge, over well kept roads, winding through a forest of oaks, with odors of resinous pines filling the air, the whole being illuminated with fires from bright beacons and the softer lights of Roman fuses, the Princetonians were introduced to Airlie last Tuesday evening. The house at Airlie is a Colonial structure of generous dimensions and is approached by winding roads bordered with live oaks, from whose branches hang great clusters of moss. There is a large lake around the banks of which were burning tar barrels, which also marked the approach to the house. From the lake set pieces of fireworks were sent off at regular intervals, making the view of the perspective one long to be remembered. Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones and Miss Jones received their guests of whom there were about two hundred and fifty, with their characteristic charm of manner. Arriving late, by reason of the unavoidable delay of the Glee Club's entertainment, guests were ushered to the dining rooms where a sumptuous supper awaited them. The german, after the supper, was led by Mr. Clayton Giles Jr., and every attention possible was shown the Glee Club, which was compelled to return to the city about one o'clock. The club met with a Cape Fear welcome from the host and hostesses of Airlie, who welcomed the coming and speeded the parting guests. A pleasing feature of the evening was a large Christmas tree, which was placed in position during one of those unfortunate accidents of the "lights burnt out. A large tree studded with colored electric bulbs was rolled to the center of the tennis court and the electric circuit was quickly made by connecting the wires, when the tree shown out out in great brilliancy and beauty. The merry dancers went around and around the tree receiving pretty souvenirs. The entire house was decorated with Princeton flags and colors and the occasion was one which will long be remembered by the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jones.


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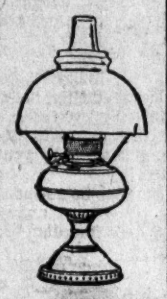

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NORTHBOUND.

| | No. 48 | No. 42 |
|---|---|---|
| Lv Wilmington | 9.00 a m | 6.50 p m |
| Ar Goldsboro | 12.10 p m | 9.52 p m |
| Ar Wilson | 1.12 p m | 10.35 p m |
| Ar Rocky Mount | 2.08 p m | 11.00 p m |
| Ar Norfolk | 5.55 p m | |
| Ar Weldon | 5.08 p m | 2.32 a m |
| Ar Petersburg | 7.12 p m | 4.27 a m |
| Ar Richmond | 8.00 p m | 5.10 a m |
| Ar Washington | 11.40 p m | 8.50 a m |
| Ar Baltimore | 1.43 a m | 10.13 a m |
| Ar Philadelphia | 4.26 a m | 12.27 a m |
| Ar New York | 7.20 a m | 3.00 a m |

SOUTHBOUND

| | No. 41 | No. 49 |
|---|---|---|
| Lv New York | 9.25 a m | 9.25 p m |
| Ar Philadelphia | 1.55 a m | 12.01 a m |
| Ar Baltimore | 3.12 p m | 2.32 a m |
| Ar Washington | 3.31 p m | 3.45 a m |
| Ar Norfolk | | 8.40 a m |
| Lv Richmond | 7.25 p m | 9.05 a m |
| Ar Petersburg | 8.06 p m | 9.45 a m |
| Ar Weldon | 9.53 p m | 11.44 p m |
| Ar Rocky Mount | 10.58 p m | 1.00 p m |
| Ar Wilson | 11.40 p m | 2.05 p m |
| Ar Goldsboro | 12.53 a m | 3.10 p m |
| Ar Wilmington | 1.05 a m | 6.00 p m |

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| | Daily | Daily | Daily |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lv Wilmington | 6.00 am | 2.45 pm | 6.50 pm |
| Ar Florence | 9.26 am | 7.40 pm | 4.15 am |
| Ar Columbia | 12.40 pm | 10.55 pm | |
| Ar Charleston | 1.30 pm | 11.40 pm | 7.05 am |
| Ar Savannah | 6.45 pm | 2.50 am | 9.30 am |
| Ar Jack'ville | ..... | 8.40 am | 2.10 pm |
| Lv Tampa | 9.00 p m | | 10.30 a m |

NORTHBOUND.

| | Daily | Daily |
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| Lv aTmpa | 9.00 p m | 10.30 a m |
| Lv Jacksonville | 7.00 a m | 7. p m |
| Ar Savannah | 12.55 p m | 1.15 a m |
| Lv Charleston | 5.30 p m | 6.15 a m |
| Lv Columbia | 4.30 p m | 6.45 a m |
| Ar Florence | 10.00 p m | 9.25 a m |

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| Ar Wilmington | 12.05 a m | 1.40 p m |

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

| | West Bound Daily | East Bound Daily |
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| Lv Wilmington | 9.10 a m | Ar 8.00 p m |
| Lv Fayetteville | 12.20 p m | Ar 4.50 p m |

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

| | N. Bound Daily ex Sun | South Bound |
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| Ar Newbern | 5.40 p m | Lv 9.10 a m |

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| x 7.00 a m | x6.30 a m | |
| x 8.30 a m | x8.00 a m | |
| 10.00 a m | xx9.00 a m | |
| 11.30 a m | 11.00 a m | 10.45 a m |
| 1.30 p m | 12.30 p m | 12.15 p m |
| 3.00 p m | 2.25 p m | 2.15 p m |
| 5.00 p m | 4.25 p m | 4.15 p m |
| 6.30 p m | 5.55 p m | 5.45 p m |
| 8.00 p m | 7.30 p m | |
| 9.30 p m | 9.00 p m | |
| 11.00 p m | 10.30 p m | |

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# When the Clock Struck Twelve

*A New Year's Story*
*By Louis J. Stellman*

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"IN just two hours," said McKee to Rover, there being no one else in whom to confide, "I shall have proved the fallacy of signs."

Rover wagged his tail in appreciative silence. He did not know that it was 10 o'clock p. m. on the last day of the year and that the fates as read by his master's friends had decreed that Dudley Yates McKee, bachelor, should become a Benedict before the New Year. Shortly after the present year began the first dire prophecy was made by reason of three plum stones on McKee's plate. He thought nothing of this, but when several days later an amateur card reader made a similar prediction McKee was mildly amused at the coincidence, and when within another month a friend who affected palmistry drew the same augury from McKee's palm the latter began to ponder. At a spiritualistic seance which he was cajoled into attending an alleged "spirit" again volunteered the information that McKee would marry within the current year, and later a dabbler in astrology to whom McKee confided his growing alarm consulted the stars and verified the matter as a foreordained event in his friend's horoscope.

McKee's uneasiness grew apace. He dismissed the idea of collusion between his friends and began to fight shy of anything that threatened a possible emotional entanglement. Now, seated in his bachelor quarters in slippers and robe, he contemplated with triumphant relief the flight of time toward deliverance from what he had come to regard as a pursuing destiny.

He toasted his feet comfortably on the fender and surveyed retrospectively his thirty-two years of care free and irresponsible existence, filled with many of the lighter loves of early youth and the delightfully innocuous flirtations of later manhood. Dudley Yates McKee was good to look upon, and his pleasing exterior was a frank and undisguised index to his inner self. Women liked him thoroughly, and, unlike most bachelors, he had remained single purely from choice. There were moments when he would acknowledge to himself that marriage had compensations, when life seemed a trifle empty, but on the whole he enjoyed his freedom and was content.

The grandfather's clock in the corner struck a single chime to mark the half hour, and McKee, aroused from his reverie, was refilling his pipe when a slight rustle in the adjoining room startled him.

"Rather early for burglars," he thought as he picked up the poker and arose to investigate. He pushed a button in the wall and flooded the room with light. Then he stood quite still and ejaculated "By Jove!" in a bewildered sort of way, for shrinking against the wall was a young girl, terror and embarrassment blending in the imploring glance she turned toward him. Perfunctorily McKee noted that she was a very pretty girl and that her hair, disordered as it was, was of a reddish brown tint he had never seen before, but instantly classed as preferable to all others. For the rest she wore a modish costume of tailor made serge and carried a traveling bag.

M'KEE NOTED THAT SHE WAS A VERY PRETTY GIRL.

"My God!" cried the intruder, with a little sob that went straight to McKee's heart. "What shall I do?"

"Are you—real?" asked McKee dubiously. He was persuading himself into the notion that it must be a dream.

The girl gazed fearfully at the poker and covered her face with her hands.

"Oh," she gasped hysterically, "I am ruined!"

"You don't look it," returned McKee politely. He thought her remark a trifle melodramatic. "Won't you be seated," he continued, "and we'll talk it over?"

The girl sank into the chair he placed for her and wept softly into a ridiculous looking square of lace. McKee watched her curiously.

"I don't know what you think," she burst out in sudden defiance, "and I don't care. It's too late now. I ran in here to escape a man. He insulted me. I was alone on the street. I just got here tonight. And I—I—hid in this room before you came in, and then I couldn't get out," she ended, sobbing afresh.

"I am Dudley McKee," said that gentleman quietly, "and I'll take pleasure in seeing you safe home after you have rested a bit. There's no harm done, except that you're very much excited."

"I have no home—now," said the girl dully. "I—I ran away—to go on the stage. My guardian was not good to

"GO ON," HE COMMANDED.

me. He wanted me to marry him—and I—had to leave. Oh, I know you don't believe me!" she added piteously.

Some impulse made McKee go over to her and stroke the disordered hair softly. She looked up, startled, and their eyes met with an instantaneous flash of meaning. Then she blushed, and her eyes fell.

Thus they remained, motionless, for a time, each trying to realize, to grasp, the wondrous newness of the thing that had come into their hearts during the instant when their glances met and blended in an unspoken word. With a quick movement McKee bent over and kissed the trembling lips. Even as he did so he felt her arms about his neck.

The ringing of a bell interrupted them like a hideous crash of sound. The girl leaped from her chair and fled from him, her face afire with sudden shame.

"You can't go now," said McKee firmly. "You would be seen. Whoever it is, I shall get rid of him at once."

He closed the sliding doors and, re-entering his study, opened the outer door. There stood the Rev. Ashton Wright.

"You left a note saying you wished to see me this morning," said the visitor. "I was passing and saw your light. If you will excuse the untimeliness of the hour"—

McKee stared at him stupidly. "It is fate," he said.

"What is?" asked the astounded clergyman.

"I wanted to see you about quite another matter," said McKee, speaking rapidly. "I've forgotten what it was. It doesn't matter. But just now I want you to marry me and ask no questions."

He glanced at the clock. It marked 11:40.

The Rev. Ashton Wright stared at his host in blank amazement.

McKee opened the sliding doors. "Come!" he called to the girl, and she ran to his side.

"Go on," he commanded.

The Rev. Mr. Wright opened his mouth and then closed it again, remembering McKee's injunction. He knew the young man sufficiently well not to question his motives. And so, after a preliminary gasp or two, he stumbled through the wedding service.

When it was finished, all three looked at one another as though newly awakened from a dream.

Just then the clock struck 12.

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**New Year's In St. Petersburg.**

In St. Petersburg the czar used to break the ice in the Neva on New Year's day, an ancient ceremony accompanied with pomp and ritual, but his imperial majesty has abandoned that custom since Jan. 13, 1905 (the Russian New Year is twelve days later than ours), when a saluting battery "accidentally" fired a charge of grape at him. The little house built on the ice to shelter the court during the ceremony was hit by the grapeshot, and only the "divinity which doth hedge a king" saved the emperor's life.

# HIS LORDSHIP

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Henri Fletcher's ambition was to be an English swell. As he was sauntering across St. James' park one day, head up, glass in his eye and his cane held at the proper angle, some one ran against him and cried out:

"Dear, dear me, but what a fortunate meeting! Why, my dear fellow, I was just on my way to your club to hunt you up."

The speaker was a young man like Mr. Fletcher. He was got up after the same pattern.

"Now, my lord, old boy, those curios have arrived from Egypt, and my man is unpacking them. I want you to see the collection and give me your opinion. Rather have it than any other man's in England, ye knaw."

Mr. Fletcher saw that the stranger had made a mistake, but he blushed with pleasure. He had not only been mistaken for an Englishman, but for a lord. Instead of explaining the situation he let the other go on with:

"And you'll give me an hour of your time and an opinion on my collection? If you don't fancy it, I'll sell the whole business at auction. Only a step, ye knaw, but here's a cab."

"I think I should explain to you"—began Mr. Fletcher as the other seized his arm. But before he could go further he was at the door of the cab.

The ride lasted only ten minutes, and during that time the stranger did all the talking and flew from one subject to another so rapidly that Mr. Fletcher had no show to explain things. The cab rattled up to a fine mansion, which might have been the town house of a duke, and arm in arm the two ascended the steps. An obsequious servant admitted them, they passed upstairs, and two minutes later Mr. Fletcher found himself menaced by a pistol in the hands of the second man, while the first was saying:

"Be gentle with him, Billy. He's far from his home and mamma, you know."

He was ordered to sit down, and he sat. His ankles were tied to the chair, so that he couldn't get up again in a hurry. A gag was laid on the table at his elbow. A bottle of wine and a glass were also placed there. Then the man with the pistol, who seemed sorry that there was no occasion to shoot anybody, withdrew, and the other sat down and observed:

"My lord, you may call me Jones."

"I'm hanged if I do!" shouted Mr. Fletcher, who was beginning to wake up at last.

"Then call me Brown. It's all the same, you know. Now, my lord"—

"I am not a lord!"

"There now, Mr. Fletcher, I want to have a few minutes' conversation with you. Owing to certain stock investments that were ill advised I am at this moment in want of what we Americans call the needful. I shall be compelled to ask you for the loan of at least $5,000. If you cut up nasty the figures will be doubled."

"Then you brought me here in broad daylight to rob me!"

"As you see. No game could be safer. Partly furnished house to rent, and after laying my plans I took it and paid one-quarter in advance. I said laying my plans. It did not require any great astuteness. I knew your weak point, you see—have heard it discussed in New York many a time."

"What do you mean by my weak point?" asked Mr. Fletcher.

"Wanting to be taken for an It. When I called you my lord back there in the park you just glowed from head to heel. I've been following you around for a week, and the plans you have taken to make an Englishman and a snob out of yourself have been highly amusing. You have convinced several hotel waiters that you are a born ass."

"You contemptible scoundrel! I'll make this outrage cost you your liberty for the next twenty years!" exclaimed Mr. Fletcher as he tried to rise up and fell back. A man may be an ass and yet not a coward.

"Gently, my lord," replied Jones-Brown. "You may have the sense to see that you are helpless. If you should make a nuisance of yourself my man might take it personally. As I was saying"—

"I'll never give up a cent!"

"As I was saying, my lord, I have pressing need of $10,000. The figures have doubled, you see. As I knew you wouldn't have that sum in your pocket I had my man enter your room at the hotel and get your check book. Here it is. Will you kindly fill out a check for the amount named?"

"No! You may murder me first!"

"A check for $15,000, my lord. Henry, you may come in with your pistol. My lord is inclined to be a nuisance. I will give him five minutes to fill out this check. If he still remains obdurate you may begin firing at his fingers. Take them one by one. Help yourself to the wine, my lord."

Mr. Fletcher must be credited with waiting four minutes before he began filling out the check, and he was somewhat defiant and sarcastic in his remarks as he appended his signature. Mr. Jones-Brown gave him some fatherly advice, disappeared with the check, and after keping guard over him for a couple of hours the man with the gun stepped into the next room and forgot to return. Mr. Fletcher untied the hard knots and released himself and left the house. He did not go to the police, and he didn't ask reporters to interview him, and consequently when the story finally leaked out at home his friends could say of him:

"Isn't it queer? Henri had another chance to make an ass of himself and didn't take advantage of it!"

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# COMMERCIAL.

## WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 29, 1906.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, firm 66 3-4.

Rosin—Market, firm $3.80.

TAR—Market, firm $2.35 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $3.35 per barrel for hard, $4.50 for dip and $4.50 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm $1.80; crude turpentine firm $2.80, $4.50 and $4.50.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Spirits turpentine | 12 |
| Rosin | 68 |
| Tar | 129 |
| Crude | 2 |

Receipts same day last year—23 casks spirits turpentine; 74 barrels rosin; 70 barrels tar; 98 barrels crude turpentine.

## COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 9 3-4c.

Same day last year—Steady 11 1-4c.

Receipts 1,224 bales; same day last year 271 bales.

## PRODUCE MARKET.

PEANUTS—North Carolina Prime $1.10; extra prime $1.15; fancy $1.15@$1.20 per bushel of 28 pounds; Virginia—Prime 95c; extra prime $1.00; fancy $1.10@$1.20; Spanish $1.20@$1.25.

CORN—Firm, 68@70c per bushel for white; 66@68 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 17@18c per pound; shoulders, 12to 13c; sides dull, 11@13c.

EGGS—Dull at 27c.

CHICKENS—Dull 15@25c for small growns 30 @ 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 4c per pound.

HIDES—Dry flint, 14 to 15c; green 9c per pound.

PORK—Corn fed 8@9c.

TURKEYS—Firm, live 16c @ 17c; dressed 20 @ 22c.

## THE COTTON MARKET.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec., 29.—The cotton market opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of four points in spite of disappointing cables. There seemed to be some demand for January with very little offering and this imparted a steady tone to the entire list. During the middle of the morning prices sagged off a point or two from the opening figures under realizing. Trading was very quiet.

Receipts at the ports today 42,566 bales against 76,508 last week and 31,704 last year; for the week 280,000 bales against 311,764 last week and 154,945 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 16,863 bales against 10,664 last year, and at Houston 14,020 bales against 4,927 last year.

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 10.65; middling gulf 10.90; sales 93 bales.

| Month | Open | Closing bid |
|---|---|---|
| December | 9.32 | 9.26 |
| January | 9.31 | 9.25 |
| February | 9.40 | 9.41 |
| March | 9.58 | 9.54 |
| April | 9.56 | 9.63 |
| May | 9.77 | 9.71 |
| July | 9.89 | 9.80 |
| August | — | 9.72 |
| October | 9.75 | 9.70 |

## PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 10 1-4; net receipts 12,315.

New Orleans—Easy, 10 3-16; net receipts 16,863.

Mobile—Quiet, 10; net receipts 1,103

Savannah—Steady, 9 7-8; net receipts 7,194.

Charleston—Firm, 9 5-8; net receipts 172.

Wilmington—Steady, 9 3-4; net receipts 1,224.

Norfolk—Steady, 10 1-4; net receipts 2,688.

Baltimore—Nominal, 10 1-2.

New York—Steady, 10.65; net receipts 339.

Boston—Steady, 10.65; net receipts 566.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 10.90; net receipts 50.

Jacksonville—Net receipts 242.

Miscellaneous 104.

Total to-day at all ports, net 42,566; Great Britain 55,768; France 4,267; Continent 18,044; stock 1,342, 963.

Consolidated at all ports, net 42,366; Great Britain 55,768; France 4,267; Continent 18,044.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports, net 5,844, 744; Great Britain 1,787,694; France 495,903; Continent 1,655,405; Japan 88,165.

### Interior Movement.

Houston—Quiet, 10 3-8; net receipts 14,020.

Augusta—Steady, 10 5-8; net receipts 725.

Memphis—Steady, 10 1-4; net receipts 3,180.

St. Louis—Quiet, 10 5-8; net receipts 602.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 1,947.

Louisville—Firm, 10 1-2;.

Total—Net receipts 20,474; gross receipts 27,657; shipments 23,473; sales 11,169; stock 354,401.

### Liverpool Markets.

Liverpool, Dec., 29.—Cotton: Spot dull; prices ten points higher; American middling fair 6.48; good middling 6.00; middling 5.80; low middling 5 62; good ordinary 5.22; ordinary 4.98.

The sales of the day were 4.000 bales of which 400 were for speculation and export and inleuded 3.700 American; receipts 48,000 bales including 47,300 American; futures opened steady and closed steady; closing: Dec 5.48; Dec and Jan 5 45; Jan and Feb 5.44; Feb and March 5.43 1-2; March and April 5.46; April and May 5.44; May and June 5.45; June and July 5.45 1-2; July and Aug 5.45 1-2; Aug and Sept 5.40; Sept and Oct 5.33 1-2; Oct and Nov 5.27.

## DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec., 29.—Trade was quiet today in drygoods. The year's average price for printing cloths was 3.629 cents as compared with 3.115 in 1905. It is announced that an advance will be made in linens next month. Merchants are more hopeful of the future of the China trade. Buyers are beginning to complain of slow deliveries for the Spring trade.

## FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York Dec., 29:—Money on call nominal. Time loans easier; sixty days and ninety days 7 per cent; six months 6 -2 per cent; prime mercantile paper 6@6 1-2 per cent;; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4. 7770@4.7775 for sixty days bills; poster rates 4.79 and 4.80; commercial bills 4.77 1-4@4.77 1-2; bar silver 69 5-8.

### New York Bonds.

| | |
|---|---|
| U. S. Refunding 2s reg | 104 1-2 |
| U. S. Refunding 2s cou | 105 |
| U. S. 3s reg | 102 3-4 |
| U. S. 3s cou | 102 3-4 |
| U. S. Old 4s reg | 100 3-4 |
| U. S. Old 4s cou | 101 3-4 |
| U. S. New 4s reg | 130 |
| U. S. New 4s cou | 130 1-4 |
| American Tobacco 4s | 76 1-2 |
| American Tobacco 6s | 109 1-4 |
| A. C. L. | 97 1-2 |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 101 12- |
| L. & N. Unified 4s | 102 |
| Seaboard Air Line | 81 |
| Southern Railway | 115 1-2 |
| U. S. Steel 2nd 5s | 97 1-2 |

### Closing Stock List.

| | |
|---|---|
| Amalgamated Copper | 113 7-8 |
| American Sugar Refining | 132 1-8 |
| American Tobacco Co. | 96 1-2 |
| Atlantic Coast Line | 131 1-2 |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 118 7-8 |
| Baltimore & Ohio pfd | 92 |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 55 |
| C. & N. | 142 |
| New York Central | 129 7-8 |
| Norfolk & Western | 91 1-2 |
| Norfolk & Western pfd | 88 1-2 |
| Peoples Gas | 97 1-2 |
| Reading | 132 1-8 |
| Reading 1st pfd | 89 |
| Reading 2nd pfd | 90 |
| Southern Pacific | 91 7-8 |
| Southern Pacific pfd | 119 3-4 |
| Southern Railway | 32 3-8 |
| Southern Railway pfd | 94 1-4 |
| Tenn Coal & Iron | 158 |
| U. S. Steel | 47 3-8 |
| U. S. Steel pfd | 103 7-8 |
| Va-Car Chemical | 36 |
| Va-Car Chemical pfd | 107 1-4 |
| Seaboard Air Line | — |
| Seaboard Air Line pfd | — |
| Standard Oil | 522 |
| Western Union | 83 |

## NEW YORK PRODUCE MAPKET.

New York, Dec., 29.—Flour dull; winter patents 3.65@3.90; Minnesota

CORN MEAL—Steady; fine white patents 4.10@4.35.

and yellow 1.20@1.25; coarse 1.10@1.12; kiln dried 2.75@2.80.

WHEAT—Spot easy; No. 2 red nominal elevator; options 1-8 to 1-4 c net lower; May 83 1-4; July 82 3-4; December 8-0 34.

CORN—Spot steady; No. 2 52 1-2 elevator; options unchanged; January 51 1-4; May 50 3-8; December 52.

OATS—Spot steady; mixed 39@39 1-2.

LARD—Barely steady; western prime 9.25@9.35; refined quiet.

PORK—Steady; family 19.50@19.00; clear 17.50@19.00; mess 17.50@18.50.

TALLOW—;Steady; city 6 1-4 country 6@6 1-2.

RICE—Steady; domestic 3 1-2@6 3-8.

MOLASSES—Steady; open kettle 37@48.

SUGAR—Raw steady; fair refining 3 1-16; centrifugal 96 test 3 9-16; molasses sugar 2 13-16; refined steady.

COFFEE—Spot market firm; Rio No. 7 7 1-7@7 1-4; Santos No. 4 at 8@8 1-4; mild steady; Cordova 9@12 1-2; futures unchanged to 10 points higher.

BUTTER—Firm; extra creamery 33; renovated common to extra 18@24.

CHEESE—Quiet, unchanged.

EGGS—Quiet, unchanged.

PEANUTS—Steady unchanged.

FREIGHTS—Steady; grain to Liverpool by steam 11-2 d.

POTATOES AND CABBAGES—Steady, unchanged.

COTTON SEED OIL—Firm with a fair trade in futures; prime crude fob mills 32 1-2; prime summer yellow 43; prime white nominal; prime winter yellow nominal.

## CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Selling by local longs caused a weak wheat market here to-day, the May delivery closing at a net loss of 5-8. Corn was off 3-8 @1-2. Oats were down 1-4@3-8. Provisions were 2 1-2@5 to 17 1-2 lower.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

| | High | Low | Close |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat | | | |
| Dec | 73 1-2 | 73 | 73 1-8 |
| May | 77 5-8 | 77 | 77 1-8 |
| Corn: | | | |
| Dec | 40 7-8 | 40 5-8 | 40 3-4 |
| May | 43 1-2 | 43 1-4 | 43 1-2 |
| July | 44 | 43 7-8 | 44 |
| Oats: | | | |
| Dec | 33 5-8 | 33 1-2 | 33 5-8 |
| May | 36 3-8 | 36 | 36 |
| July | 33 1-2 | 33 1-4 | 33 3-8 |
| Mess Pork, per bbl.: | | | |
| Jan | 15.90 | 15.85 | 15.87 1-2 |
| May | 16.62 1-2 | 16.35 | 16.45 |
| Lard, per 100 lbs.: | | | |
| Dec | 9.15 | 9.10 | 9.15 |
| Jan | 9.15 | 9.02 1-2 | 9.15 |
| May | 9.35 | 9.25 | 9.30 |
| July | 9.40 | 9.32 1-2 | 9.37 1-2 |
| Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.: | | | |
| Jan | 8.62 1-2 | 8.57 1-2 | 8.62 1-2 |
| May | 8.95 | 8.87 1-2 | 8.87 1-2 |
| July | 9.02 1-2 | 8.97 1-2 | 9.00 |

Cash quotations were as follows: Folur steady; No. 2 Spring Wheat 70@81; No. 3 70@80; No. 2 red 73@73 1-2; No. 2 Corn 41; No. 2 yellow 41; Prime Timothy Seed 4.35.

Short Ribs, Sides (loose) 8.37 1-2@8.75; Mess Pork, per bbl. 15.87 1-2; Lard, per 100 lbs. 9.15; Short Clear Sides (boxed) 9.12@9.25; Whiskey, basis of high wines 1.29.

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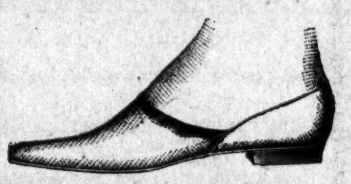

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| | Sept 4,1906 | Nov. 12, 1906 |
|---|---|---|
| Capital | $ 200,000.00 | $ 200,000.00 |
| Surplus and Undivided Profits, net | 111,105.74 | 115,527.68 |
| Circulation | 200,000.00 | 200,000.00 |
| Rediscounts | 18,500.00 | none |
| Deposits | 574,793.74 | 881,519.73 |
| | $1,104,399.48 | $1,397,047.41 |

RESOURCES:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Loans and Discounts | $ 468,251.50 | $ 506,795.15 |
| Overdrafts | 782.16 | 907.18 |
| United States Bonds and Premiums | 259,296.88 | 259,296.88 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 5,929.29 | 5,929.29 |
| Cash, and Due From Other Banks | 370,139.65 | 624,118.91 |
| | $1,104,399.48 | $1,397,047.41 |

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## NAVAL STORES

New York, Dec 29.—Turpentine firm 70 to 70 1-2; rosin firm, strained common to good 4.25.

Savannah, Dec. 29.—Turpentine firm 67 1-2; sales 354; receipts 886; shipments 866.

Rosin firm; sales 3,708; receipts 4,744; shipments 3,100; stock 74,776. Quote A B C D E 4.10; F 4.15; G 4.17 1-2; H 4.30; I 4.50 K 5.15; M 5.50; N 6.00; WG 6.65; WW 6.85.

Charleston, Dec. 29.—Turpentine and rosin nothing doing.

# MARINE

## CLEARED.

Br. Str. Effie, Kindberg, Port Glasgow, Scotland, Heide & Co.

Str. Navahoe, McKenzie, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Port Glasgow—Br. Str. Elfie, 450,000 feet of gum timber valued at $20,000; 2,000 barrels rosin, valued at $8,000; cargo by Acme Tea Chest Co. per Will L. Miller, agent; vessel by Heide & Co.

## BY RIVER AND RAIL.

### Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec 29, 1906.

W. & W. Railroad—251 bales cotton; 34 barrels rosin; 1 barrel tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—885 bales cotton; 34 barrels rosin; 96 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Raiload—87 bales cotton; 12 casks spirits turpentine; 2 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—1 bale cotton.

Schr. Bessie Moore—30 barrels tar.

Total—1224 bales cotton; 12 casks spirits turpentine; 68 barrels rosin; 129 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

## MARINE DIRECTORY.

### List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

#### Steamers.

Petunia Br) 1,093 tons, Gieg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Labuan (Br) 2,284 tons, Ross, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Hersilia, (Ger) 1,295 tons, Euler, Heide & Co.

England (Br) 2,430 tons, Curtis, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

#### Brigs.

Alcaea, 363 tons, Anderson, C. D. Maffitt.

#### Barques.

Linnea, (Nor) 535 tons, Teljesen, Helde & Co.

Hancock (Am) 348 tons, Erb, C. D. Maffitt.

#### Schooners.

Admiral, (Br) 83 tons, Pierce, Tarpun Bay, C. D. Maffitt.

Herbert D. Maxwell, 640 tons, Quillin, C. D. Maffitt.

Rothesay, (Br) 280 tons, Phipps, C. D. Maffitt.

John J. Hansen, 556 tons, Wood, C. D. Maffitt.

Ella L. Davenport, 470 tons, Dunton, C. D. Maffitt.

## WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

### Appointsments of Presiding Elder W. L. Cuninggim, First Round.

| | |
|---|---|
| Waccamaw, Lebanon | Dec. 29-30 |
| Kenansville, Kenansville | Jan. 5-6 |
| Burgaw, Wallace | Jan 12-13 |
| Magnolia, Rose Hill | Jan. 13-14 |
| Scott's Hill, Prospect | Jan 19 |
| Wilmington, Grace | Jan 20 |
| Wilmington, Bladen Street | Jan 20 |
| Town Creek, Bethel | Jan 26-27 |
| Shallotte, Sharon | Feb 2-3 |
| Carver's Creek, Hebron | Feb 9-10 |
| White and Chadbourn, Whiteville | Feb 10-11 |
| New River, Snead's Ferry (Night) | Feb 14 |
| Jacksonville and Richlands, Rich | Feb. 16-17 |
| Columbus, Boardman | Feb 23-24 |
| Clinton, Clinton | Mar 2-3 |
| Southport | Mar 9-10 |
| Onslow, Queen's Creek | Mar. 16-17 |

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# REIGN OF TERROR BY SOCIALISTS

## Slanghter and Wild Disorder Again Breaks Out At Lodz, Russia

## FACTORIES HAVE SHUT DOWN

**More Than Score of Murders in Two Days—Men Who Persist in Working are Assassinated. Situation Acute.**

(By Cable to The Morning Star.)

Lodz, Dec. 29.—The situation here is rapidly becoming acute. Sanguinary encounters were frequent during the day. Six persons were killed and 12 wounded. It is generally anticipated that the workmen will eventually secure the upperhand over the socialists, drive out the agitators and resume work within a few days.

The proprietors of seven of the largest factories here, employing 100,000 persons to-day closed their establishments in consequence of the system of terrorism inaugurated by the extreme socialists. The announcement caused great excitement among the inhabitants generally of this city as well as among the better classes of the factory employes who fear that when this great army of unemployed persons begin to feel the want of bread rioting will occur. The factory employes as a rule are without any means to support themselves and their families during the hard winter prevailing.

The socialists here yesterday murdered no less than a score of nationalist workmen in this city and vicinity and they threaten to organize street riots and compel citizens at the point of revolvers to feed and lodge the unemployed.

The manager of the Schleiblers' Cotton mills and the foreman and engineer of another factory were murdered during the night by socialists and the engineers of those and other establishments, fearing assassination, refused this morning to return to their work. Consequently all the cotton mills and other plants have been closed down indefinitely. The workmen are dispersing quietly. The authorities are concentrating a large number of additional troops. Many of the workmen are declaring they are willing to accept the employers' terms, but the extreme socialists among them prevent resumption of work by theatening to murder at once all men who yield.

### OUTRAGE BY ARMED NEGROES.

**Whipped Block Operator on Southern In South Carolina.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec., 29.—"I am penned up in block house and surrounded by a mob of negroes who have threatened my life. They are beating down the door. For God's sake send help."

This message was sent here to-night by Telegraph Operator Porter in charge of the block station at Mt. Zion on the main line of the Southern Railway, six miles from Spartansburg. The cause of the trouble is not known. Sheriff Nicholls was notified and at once two cars filled with armed men were sent to the scene.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 29.—Telegraph Operator Porter, in charge of the block station at Mt. Zion, six miles from here, on the main line of the Southern Railway, was taken out of his station to-night shortly after 7 o'clock by a crowd of drunken negroes tied and whipped. Thes mob surrounded Porter who barricaded himself in the station and they shot out windows and lights. The operator wired the train dispatcher at Spartanburg to send help. He scarcely finished sending the message for aid when the negroes broke into the station siezed and dragged him outside and beat him. Sheriff Nicholls and a party of officers left on a special train but when the yarrived at Mt. Zion the negroes had dispersed. The posse is searching the woods for the members of the mob who took part in assaulting the operator. No arrests have as yet been made.

### INSURANCE COMPANY FAILS.

**Receiver Appointed in Virginia for German National.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Richmond, Dec., 29.—Judge R. Carter Scott, sitting in the city Circuit Court, today appointed Thomas C. Gordon, receiver for the affairs in Virginia of the German National Insurance Company, of Illinois.

The receivership was applied for by the Virginia State Insurance Company and other creditors. It is set forth in the petition that the German National has been declared bankrupt in the State of Illinois and is unable to meet its obligations in Virginia. The obligation to the Virginia State Insurance Company is in the nature of re-insured policies.

As required by the State law, the insolvent company has on deposit with the treasurer $10,000 to secure the Virginia policy helders against loss in such a contingency as has now arisen.

The petition also sets forth that there is now in the hands of agents of the insolvent company in the State, or due them, sufficient funds to cover the obligations to Virginia policyholders.

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She looms a wondrous sun,
And all the splendors of her worth
Are only just begun: Rocky Mountain Tea.
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# JAP ANARCHIST AT SAN FRANCISCO

## Paper Circulated by Japanese Advocating Assassination of Roosevelt and the Mikado

## PRINTED IN TWO LANGUAGES

**Marked Copies Sent to San Francisco Board of Education—Secret Service Agents of United States Are Investigating.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Secret Service agents here had their attention called this morning to an inflammatory paper published in Berkley, by Japanese, entitled "The Revolution," in which the assassination of the Mikado, President Roosevelt and others in authority, is advocated in plain language. Marked copies of the paper were sent through the mail to the Board of Education in this city. The paper was mailed in Berkley. It is printed in both Japanese and English. The articles advocating assassination are in English.

The Japanese paper contains an article in which reference is mde to the attitude of President Roosevelt on the Japanese school question. The following language is used:

"We believe that such a thing as the trifling legislation which the capitalist class may from time to time fling to the workers will prove of no avail; that it is about as effective as the tiny stream from a baby's water gun thrown into a raging fire. Our policy is toward the overthrow of the Mikado King and President, as representing the capitalist class, as soon as possible, and we do not hesitate as to the means."

Marked copies of the papers were sent to the members of the Board of Education in this city and by them turned over to Federal authorities.

### TILLMAN O NROOSEVELT.

**Says President Knows Nothing About The Negro.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 29.—"Roosevelt does not know anything about the negro and every time he touches him he makes a mess of it. He had no business discharging the negro troops at Brownsville before making a careful investigation. I doubt very much whether or not he is vested with the authority to take such matters in his own hands anyway."

Thus spoke United States Senator Benjamin Tillman here to-day.

Senator Tillman addressed a large audience to-night which applauded the vigorous sentiments he expressed. The Senator talked on the negro question largely and said that the white men owe all their good qualities to the women of their race.

"The negroes have not the women possessing qualities which will make them high-minded, and this has been their greatest drawback."

Speaking of lynching which he said would continue as long as the crime of rape contintinued, the Senator exclaimed:

"With the oath on my lips to uphold the law, I would lead a mob any time to lynch a man, black or white, who had ravished a woman."

### TAFT SEES THE DRIFT.

**Acknowledges That He Lacks Availibility For Republican Nomination.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary Taft made the following statement today concerning his Presidential aspirations:

"For the purpose of relieving the burden imposed by recent publicity upon ome of my friend among the Washington newspaper correspondents of putting further inquiries to me, I wish to say that my ambition is not political; that I am not seeking the Presidential nomination; that I do not expect to be the Republican candidate; if for no other reason, because of what seems to be to be objections to my availibility which do not appear to lessen with the continued discharge of my own official duty; but that I am not foolish enough to say that, in the improbable event that the opportunity to run for the great office of President were to come to me, I should decline it, for this would not be true."

### OKLAHOMA NEGRO DESPERADO.

**Man Who Attacked Captain Macklin Did Other Devilment.**

El Reno, Okla., Dec., 29.—It is believed that the negro supposed to be a soldier from Reno, who last night held up and shot a Chinese laundryman here, is the same man who last week shot and seriously wounded Capt Edgar A. Macklin. Late yesterday a negro filling the description of the Macklin assailnat, attempted to hold up the railroad agent at Darlington, near here. The agent knocked the negro down but the negro escaped and it is believed came to El Reno. Several days ago bloodhounds tracked Macklin's assailant to Darlington, where the scent was lost. The Chinaman it not seriously wounded. After last night's shooting the negro is believed to have escaped on a stolen horse.

Accidentally shot through the head by his elder brother, William Jenkins, aged 11 years, son of John B. Jenkins, an attorney of Norfolk, died within an hour yesterday. The children had secured the pistol in some way unknown and were trying to open it when it exploded. The tragedy occurred at the Jenkins home.

Low prices on Carpets and Ladies Coat Suits this week at Polvogt's. **

# BOOZE FACTORIES OF BALTIMORE

## Secretary Wilson Visits Distilleries to See How Whiskey is Made

## HE HAD HIS EYES OPENED

**He Found Out That What Men Drink As Whiskey is Decocted Stuff—Good Liquor Blended and Flavored.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec., 29.—Secretary Wilson said today that his visit to some of the Baltimore distilleries yesterday, in company with Dr. H. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, and George F. McCabe, of the law office of the Agricultural Department, had been productive of good results. They examined the operations of two distilleries, one blending establishment and a grain still, with a view to ascertaining precisely how the liquors are made. They got information they had not been able to obtain by conferences with distillers. At the gin still which they visited only six barrels of liquor is manufactured each dey. It is pronounced pure by Dr. Wiley, but not a gallon of it is sold in the market. It is sold exclusively to blenders who mix the pure gin with neutral spirits and some flavoring material and that produce is put on the market as gin. As another result of their investigation, it has been discovered that three-fourths of the straight whiskey made in this country i sold to blenders to use in connection with spirits and flavoring and coloring matter to make their products.

As a consequence of the investigation which Secretary Wilson has been conducting it is quite probable he will not recede from his decision based on the pure food and drugs act, in which he held that the so-called "blended whiskies" artificially colored and flavored, were "spurious imitations" of whiskey and that "the mixture of such an imitation with a genuine article cannot be regarded as a mixture of like substances within the letter and intent of the law.

The blenders object seriously to this decision and have tried to induce Secretary Wilson to recede from it, or, at least, to modify it, but the indications are that he will stand by it squarely.

### NEW BRITISH AMBASSADOR.

**Mr. Brice Entirely Acceptable to the United States.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

London, Dec., 29.—The formal acceptance by the United States of Jas. Brice as British Ambassador at Washington in succession to Sir Mortimer Durand, was received in a cable despatch from the American capital which reached the foreign office here during the night and thereupon it was determined this morning that Mr. Brice's appointment shall be officially gazetted on Monday. This clears up an apparent official misunderstanding. President Roosevelt's announcement that Mr. Brice was persona grata was received some time ago, but Great Britain had been awaiting his formal acceptance as the successor of Sir Mortimer, which has now been received.

New York, Dec. 29.—Sir Henry Durand, the retiring British Ambassador, to America, sailed for Home to-day on the steamer Umbria. He was accompanied by Lady Durand, Miss Durand and Capt. Durand. Just before the steamer sailed the Ambassador said:

"I have this message for the American people. I feel a very deep regret at leaving America where I feel that I have as many friends as I have in England. In fact, it seems as though I am leaving half my heart here. The American people and the American press have treated me very kindly during my stay of three years here and the parting is a very hard one."

### LOOKS LIKE HANDLE TRUST.

**Ten Concerns Have Combined as Consolidated Handle Company.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Nashville, Tenn., Dec., 29.—The Southern Handle Co., of Memphis, the Royal Handle Co., of Harrisburg, Ark., the Southern Handle Co., of Huntsville, Ala., and the Bernar Handle Co., of Manor, Pa., have been merged into the Consolidated Handle Company, with a capital of $1,000,000. Memphis will be the headquarters of the concern. M. R. Grace, of Memphis, is president of the new company, and the other officers are Edwin E. Robbins,, Pittsburg, vice president;; W. J. Bernar, secretary and treasurer.

Ten factories, scattered through Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Virginia and Pennsylvania are owned by the new corporation.

### ROOSEVELT GEORGIA ORATOR.

**Will Speak at Georgia Building at Jamestown Exposition.**

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Atlanta, Dec., 29.—Georgia Day at the Jamestown Exposition has been fixed for Monday June 10, 1907, with President Roosevelt as the orator of the day. Georgia's building at the Exposition will be a reproduction of Bulloch hall, the former home of President Roosevelt's mother and the front steps of the original building will be a part of the reproduction. From these steps the President will speak, taking, it is expected as his subject, "The Commercial Growth and Progress of the South."

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